

DIOCESAN TIMELINE 2000 to 2009

Date	Event	Reference
	10.11.2020	
2000	Australia's population 19,157,037	<i>"Australia Through Time"</i> 2005 Edition.
2000	During 1999, the Western Ministry for Spirituality developed a Spiritual Companions' (Directors) Training Program. The first program was held from 2000 to 2006, the Formatter being Sr. Carmel Street RSJ. Workshops were held by Josephite Sisters Juanita Scarry and Carmel Street. A second volume of poetry by Pat Cullen, "More Reflections from the Desert" with illustrations by Norah Kersh, was launched as a means of fundraising for the programmes.	<i>Western Ministry for Spirituality, 1993-2015</i> Page 5 <i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001 Page 2
2000	International Year for the Culture of Peace. (United Nations)	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2000
2000	After five years as parish priest of Sacred Heart Parish in Ayr, (2/1995 to 2/2000) Fr. Gerry Dore decided that it was time to take things a little easier. Fr. Gerry retired to quieter duties as an assistant priest at Hendra - Northgate Church, in his hometown of Brisbane. When Fr. Gerry retired, Bishop Benjamin appointed a team to manage the day to day life of the parish. The team comprised of Fr. Peter Quilty who came each weekend from his position in Townsville to attend to the sacramental life of the parish and stayed on if necessary for funerals or other needs, Sr. Helen Mary Peters RSM would attend to day to day administration and would live in the convent and a parish secretary.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2000 <i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 49</i>
2000	31 st January to 20 April – School Term 1.	Diary 2000.
2000	St. Raphael's College at James Cook University was no longer administered by The Grail. The new Principal for the start of the academic year was Sr. Carmel Bambridge S.G.S. (2000 to 2002)	<i>Cath. Leader,</i> 17.10.1999. <i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 1999.
2000	At the beginning of February, Bishop Raymond Benjamin lodged his letter of request for retirement to His Holiness, Pope John Paul II. On 18.04.2000, Bishop Raymond received confirmation of his retirement in a letter from the Pope. Bishop Benjamin remained in Townsville as the Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese until the appointment of a new Bishop was announced in January 2001.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. & Jun. 2000 <i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 24.03.2016, page 2
2000	The Little Rock Scripture Study was introduced in the Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook. The program was developed by a couple in Little Rock, Arkansas.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002.
2000	On 11.02.2000, the 70 th Anniversary of the foundation of the Diocese of Townsville was celebrated at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. As part of the Celebrations, a huge commemorative Diocesan Jubilee Banner was hung in the Sanctuary of the Cathedral. Celebrations were extended to include the blessing of the former Bishop's House which was extensively renovated and renamed McGuire House in honour of Townsville's first Bishop. The building now housed the new administrative centre for the Diocese.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2000
2000	On Sunday 12.03.2000, Bishop Raymond Benjamin formally opened and blessed the new Catholic Education Office (CEO) at 2 Gardenia Avenue, Kirwan, Townsville.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Jun. 2000 <i>T'ville C. Arch. Ref.</i> 788/1
2000	Death of Christian Brother Douglas Herman Reid On 27.03.2000 aged 76 years.	<i>Headstone in Belgian</i>

	Br. Reid was the first Principal of Ignatius Park College	<i>Gardens Cemetery</i>
2000	On 30.03.2000, Charters Towers held their annual Reconciliation Dinner. The dinner was attended by over three hundred people including Bishop Benjamin and the ministers fraternal. Theme for the occasion was “Let’s Get Together”.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. 2000 Photo included.
2000	The Holy Trinity Catholic Parish in Mundingburra joined forces with the adjoining Anglican, Lutheran and Uniting Church parishes to deliver a letterbox Easter Greeting, which included details of various Easter worship services. The success of this project resulted in a new ecumenical network with ten regular pastors meeting every two months under the banner of “Midtown Churches Together”.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Dec. 2000
2000	Category 2 cyclone “Tessi” crossed the coast at Bambaroo, 80km north of Townsville on 02.04.2000, with wind gusts up to 110 km/hr. A landslide occurred on the North Ward face of Castle Hill causing evacuation of houses along the base of the hill. Buildings were unroofed, trees uprooted and power lines downed between Ingham and Ayr. Damage to the region was estimated at \$100 million.	2009 NQ Storm & Cyclone Guide Diary J. K. White
2000	On 18.04.2000, Bishop Raymond received confirmation of his retirement in a letter from Pope John Paul II. Bishop Benjamin remained in Townsville as the Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese until the appointment of a new Bishop was announced in January 2001.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. & Jun. 2000 Mar. 2001.
2000	During April, at the State Convention of ESA International, held in Mackay, Mrs Genevieve Dray, a Proserpine parishioner was presented with the Distinguished International Academy of Noble Achievement (DIANA) award. The award is presented to women who give unselfishly of themselves to benefit others.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. 2000 Photo included.
2000	Easter Sunday 23.04.2000.	Diary 2000.
2000	Celebrations commenced on 29.04.2000 to mark 75 years of Catholic education at St. Catherine’s Primary School in Proserpine. A commemorative book, “ <i>Mercies and Memories</i> ”, was produced for the occasion.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. 2000
2000	2 nd May to 30 th June – School Term 2.	Diary 2000.
2000	On 03.05.2000, the Association for Catholic Administrators, Townsville, held a Jubilee Retreat in Ingham with the theme, “ <i>Re-imagining our Catholic Culture: Creating reflecting communities of hope and daring</i> ”. Sr. Patricia Murray, newly elected member of the Loretto Sisters Leadership Team in Rome facilitated the Jubilee event.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Oct. 1999
2000	Celebrations to mark the centenary of the arrival of the Good Samaritan Sisters in Hughenden and the opening of St. Francis School were planned to be held in conjunction with the town’s annual Dinosaur Festival from 12 th to 14 th May 2000.	“ <i>Diocesan News</i> ”, Mar. 1999.
2000	The Jubilee Commission of the Townsville Diocese organised a pilgrimage to Bowen to mark the year of the Great Jubilee – 2000. The pilgrimage was held on Saturday 20.05.2000, the weekend closest to the feast of the diocesan patron, Mary Help of Christians (May 24). The Apostolic Nuncio to Australia, Archbishop Francesco Canalini, visited Townsville and joined the pilgrims in Bowen. As part of the Diocesan Pilgrimage, eight Townsville women walked the 202km from Townsville to Bowen.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. Aug. & Oct. 1999 Mar. & Jun. 2000 Photos included.
2000	After 11 years as Editor of “The News”, Mike Griffin decided to hand over the reins as he had taken the position of editor at the “Northern Miner” in Charters Towers.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. 2000
2000	On 26 – 28 May, Fr. Gilbert Carlo SVD was in Townsville conducting workshops at the House of Prayer in Pimlico, teaching participants how fullness of life could be received through yoga and meditation.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jun. 2000

2000	On Monday 29.05.2000, a Chaplaincy Service was inaugurated at James Cook University in Townsville. Fr. Mick Lowcock, being Vicar General of the Diocese at this time, was invited to the celebration.	<i>T'ville Catholic Archives Ref. 850/6</i>
2000	On Friday 09.06.2000, the renovations to Ridley Residence on Mount Carmel Campus at Columba Catholic College were Officially Opened and Blessed.	<i>T'ville Catholic Archives Ref 788/1</i>
2000	During the long weekend, 9 – 12 June, celebrations were held in Charters Towers to mark the Centenary of the arrival of the Good Samaritan Sisters in 1900.	<i>Diocesan News, Jun. 2000</i>
2000	On 24.06.2000, Marist Br. Brian Murray lit the Burdekin Community's Olympic Cauldron at Rugby Park in Ayr as part of the torch relay around Australia before the Sydney Olympics.	<i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 47</i>
2000	On 01.07.2000, a new Tax System (Goods and Services Tax) ACT 1999 – Sect 1.2 was implemented by the Australian Government.	<i>Commonwealth Consolidated Acts</i>
2000	On 04.07.2000, a farewell function was held for Deacon Jim Erskine and his wife Barbara at the Holy Family Centre in Gulliver, Townsville. After 17 years in Townsville, the Erskines were moving to Sale in Victoria where Jim was assuming the position of Bishop's Secretary and Administrator of the Diocese. Sr. Maureen Mosch succeeded Jim as Administrator of the Diocesan Marriage Tribunal.	<i>Diocesan News, Sep. 2000, Photo included.</i> <i>Archives Ref. 870/3</i>
2000	On Friday 07.07.2000, the old Redemptorist Monastery was formally farewelled during a special ceremony of thanksgiving. The 47 year old building was built in 1953 for the Redemptorist Fathers who ran it as their North Australian headquarters. It was sold to the Townsville Diocese in the early 1970s and used as the Catholic Education Office until that department moved to new premises in Kirwan in 1999. The old monastery was demolished to make way for the erection of Brooklea Retirement Village.	<i>T.C.N. Aug 1953</i> <i>Dio. News, Sep. 2000</i> Photos included Foundation Stone Archives ref. A321/2
2000	On 09.07.2000, Pope John Paul II announced the International Jubilee for Prisoners. To coincide with this announcement, Bishop Benjamin launched the “ <i>Fine defaulters don't belong in jail</i> ” North Queensland campaign.	<i>Diocesan News, Sep. 2000</i>
2000	18 th July to 15 th September – School Term 3.	<i>Diary 2000.</i>
2000	Teachers from Catholic secondary schools in the Townsville Diocese participated in their annual professional development in-service, which was conducted by Mr. Barry Dwyer. Mr. Dwyer had been regional Director in Sydney Archdiocese and Area Administrator in Parramatta Diocese, and had lectured at Master's level at the Australian Catholic University	<i>Diocesan News, Sep. 2000</i>
2000	Kieran Gonzalez, a student of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School in Ingham was selected to represent Australia at the Pacific Games held in Sydney in 2000. Paul Di Bella, a past student of Our Lady of Lourdes and Gilroy Santa Maria College competed at the 2000 Sydney and 2004 Athens Olympic Games in athletics. He also won bronze in the 2002 Commonwealth Games in Manchester. A bus shelter was constructed at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School in Ingham.	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2000	The Edmund Rice Camps of Townsville were established by a local group of youths in 2000. (<i>Diocesan News, Jul. 2001 page 7.</i>)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement 17.06.2010 & 15.09.2011.</i>
2000	Mr. Jim Mackinnon, formerly of Rockhampton, organised the first Edmund Rice Camp for disadvantaged youth in the Diocese of Townsville. Camps were held three times a year, in January, June and September,	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i>

	during with school holidays. The first major camp was held on Magnetic Island in 2002.	18.08.2005 & 14.04.2011
2000	The Townsville Diocese went on line . The email address was diocese@tsv.catholic.org.au	<i>Dio. News</i> , Sep. 2000
2000	From 30 th August to 1 st September, a mission and ministry conference was held in Townsville. The theme for the conference was “Thinking outside the square”. Fr. Richard Lennan, the Senior Lecturer and Head, Department of Systematic Theology, at the Catholic Institute of Sydney travelled to Townsville to lead the conference.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Sep. 2000
2000	Townsville Mater Hospital – Opening of Lothair Street complex including Operating Room Suite, Intensive Care and Cardiac Services, Pathology Services, Purchasing, Kitchen and Cafeteria.	<i>Mater Health Services North Qld., Developments</i>
2000	As one of several responses to the Report into Participation of Women in the Catholic Church, “ <i>Women and Man: One in Christ Jesus</i> ,” the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Conference agreed to establish a Commission for Australian Catholic Women.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Sep. 2000
2000	Report on visit to East Timor by teachers from St John Bosco’s Primary School in Collinsville, Eileen Luthi (Principal) and Amanda Krieg.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Dec. 2000 Photos included.
2000	As the Olympic Torch made its way around the country numerous members of the diocese had the honour of carrying the flame. Brother Brian Murray of Ayr used the Olympic Torch to light the Burdekin’s Community Cauldron at Rugby Park. Other Torch bearers were Christine Williams of the Mundingburra Parish and St. Vincent De Paul Diocesan Office, Peter Daniel from St. Vincent De Paul and a member of the Holy Spirit Conference in Cranbrook and Val Bradshaw, a visually impaired volunteer at the St. Vincent De Paul Society.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Sep. 2000 Photos included.
2000	In September, the Catholic Women’s League of Queensland met in Mackay for their four day Biennial State Conference. The Conference confirmed the appointment of the Incoming State Executive for the Year 2001 and 2002, which moved from Townsville to Brisbane.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Dec. 2000
2000	Sydney staged the Games of the XXVII Olympiad from 15 th September to 1 st October.	“ <i>Australia Through Time</i> ” 2005 Edition.
2000	On 17.09.2000, death of Sister Mary de Lourdes Harney aged 93 years in Loreto Nursing Home, Townsville. Sister was born Annie Florence Harney on 29.12.1906 in Mackay. She entered the Sisters of Mercy on 11.02.1938 and was professed on 19.08.1940. Sister taught mainly in Primary Schools throughout the Diocese. For a number of years after she retired from teaching, Sr. M de Lourdes served as Portress at the Strand Convent. Buried in the Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Row 1, Grave no. 7	Mass of Thanksgiving Booklet
2000	2 nd October to 15 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2000.
2000	On Sunday 04.11.2000, Bishop Raymond Benjamin presided at a special Jubilee Mass to mark the centenary of the laying of the Foundation Stone of the Sacred Heart Cathedral.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Dec. 2000 T’ville Cath. Arch. 787/5
2000	In November, on the advice of the Diocesan Finance and Property Council, Mr. Vince O’Rourke from Brisbane was engaged on behalf of Bishop Benjamin to conduct a review of the Diocesan Office structure. A draft report was presented in early January 2001 and the Final Report in early February 2001.	Dio. Memo signed by Bishop Benjamin as Apostolic Administrator, 08.03.2001.
2000	On 02.12.2000, a Mass was celebrated in the Good Shepherd Parish, Mount Isa, to farewell the Josephites	Good Shepherd Parish

	and FMMs (Sisters Lynette Freestone and Janine Bliss).	2005 Calendar
2000	<p>On 05.12.2000, death of Sister Mary Rosarii Farrell in the Loreto Nursing Home, Townsville aged 90 years. Born Mary Rose Farrell on 12.05.1910 in Lionsden, Longford, Ireland. She came to Australia with a group of 35 young Irish women who entered the Sisters of Mercy, Townsville on 31.05.1926.</p> <p>She was professed on 31.07.1929. Sister Rosarii taught in all our Primary Schools throughout the Diocese and also worked with the Motor Mission in Calen for several years. After several years of semi-retirement at Proserpine and the Strand, Sister went to live at Villa Vincent and was cared for in Loreto during the last 18 months. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Grave no. 35.</p>	<i>Mass of Thanksgiving Booklet</i>
2000	<p>At the end of the school year, the Marist Brothers withdrew from the Burdekin Catholic High School. Br. Hubert Williams, who was the Principal, was to undertake another role in school leadership. Br. Michael Newman was to be relocated to another school in 2001. Br. Bill McAvoy had ministered among the people of Ayr for 13 years and Br. Brian Murray for 27 years respectively.</p>	<i>Diocesan News, Sep. 2000 The Greatest Gift Celebrating 100 Years, page 9</i>
2000	<p>During the year, extensions were made to the Parish Centre at St. Joseph's Clare, comprising of a bathroom, toilet and storeroom together with more covered area for functions. The 20th anniversary of the parish was also celebrated.</p>	<i>Burdekin Valley Parish Past & Present Joan Auer, 2000</i>
2000	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ignatius Park College – 2000</u></p> <p>The House system was introduced. This was aimed at increasing spirit into the school as students would remain in each house for their entire time at the school. Each of the five houses was named after a person of significance to the College or the Christian Brothers.</p> <p>A new sports uniform was introduced incorporating house colours. The Schools own Uniform Shop also opened.</p> <p>22 students enrolled in the Duke of Edinburgh awards scheme which was coordinated by Mr. Dennis McCloskey. Courtney Griffin and Ben Kingsberry were the College's first Gold awardees. There were also nine silver awards.</p> <p>School and student leaders attended the funeral of Br. Doug Reid, the first Principal of IPC.</p> <p>The Rugby League development squad was introduced by Sports Master Mr. John Alloway and run by Mr. Brendan Logan.</p>	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009, Page 71.</i>
2001	International Year of the Volunteer	<i>Diocesan News, Jul. 2001</i>
2001	<p>On 01.01.2002, death in Loreto, Townsville of Sister Mary Claver Goggin aged 86 years. Sister was born Ethel Florence Kathleen Goggin on the 04.08.1914 at Charters Towers. She entered the Sisters of Mercy, Townsville on 24.05.1933 and was professed on 12.12 1938. Sister was buried in the Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Grave number 9.</p>	<i>Thanksgiving Mass Booklet</i>

2001	The Catholic Education Office had been accumulating Primary Guidance Counsellors over the last twelve months. With the appointment of Joe Wratten they now had their full complement of Counsellors. Joe, Erin Stafford and Peter Hayton had been employed to service Primary Schools in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001, page 5
2001	On Sunday 07.01.2001, the Epiphany of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Bishop Benjamin officially closed the Year of the Great Jubilee celebrating the 2000 th Birth of Christ, during a Mass celebrated at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001 Page 2
2001	On 13.01.2001, death of Sister Mary Bernadette Hilliard in Townsville aged 81 years. Born Thelma Maude Hilliard on 23.04.1919 in Charters Towers. Sister M Bernadette entered the Sisters of Mercy on 03.10.1935 and was professed on 12.12.1938. Her long ministry included:- Primary School teaching and music teaching throughout the Diocese till 1980 and Pastoral Care at the Mater Hospital from 1981 to 1994. In 1995 she retired to Villa Vincent and in 2000 she joined the small group of residents at the Mercy Hostel in Cranbrook. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery Section L, Subdivision 3, Gavve no. 33	<i>Liturgy of Remembrance Booklet</i>
2001	In January 2001, Mrs R. Parravacini succeeded Mrs. C. Arboit as Secretary for the Sacred Heart Parish in Ayr.	<i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 98</i>
2001	In early January, the draft of a report entitled “ <i>Recommendations, Implications and Timetable for Implementation of the Structural Review of Bishop’s Office</i> ” was presented to Fr. Mick Lowcock and Bishop Benjamin in Brisbane. (The Final Report was presented in early February.	Dio. Memo signed by Bishop Benjamin as Apostolic Administrator, 08.03.2001
2001	On 15.01.2001, three Sisters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart arrived in Mt. Isa. They were Srs. Anne, Valerian and Bernie.	Good Shepherd Parish Calendar 2005
2001	The model of leadership which invested parish authority in the Parish Pastoral Council together with the priest appointed to the parish was approved by Bishop Raymond Benjamin and became operational in 2001. On Sunday 21.01.2001, Fr. Alan Sheldrick was bid farewell by the parishioners of St. Columba’s Parish in Charters Towers. After serving for nine years as Parish Priest in the Towers, Fr. Alan had been appointed to Ayr by Bishop Benjamin on 22.12.2000 as a member of the Sacred Heart Parish Team. (Arch. Ref. 870/3) Fr. Alan spoke of himself as the “Priest in Residence” rather than parish priest.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001, page 6 <i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr,</i> <i>Pages 49 & 98</i>
2001	<u>New Catholic School Appointments</u> Burdekin Catholic High - - - - Principal: Stephanie Giorcelli Deputy: Anne Anderson St. Colman’s Home Hill - - - - APRE: Nicole Lavery St. Joseph’s Cloncurry - - - - Principal: Jill Morton Mt. Isa Catholic High - - - - - Principal: Gerry Simon Deputy: Sr. Anne O’Loughlin St. Kieran’s Mt. Isa - - - - - - - APRE: Bernadette Nicols St. Catherine’s Proserpine - - Principal: Brendan Downes	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001 Page 8

	<p>St. John Bosco's Collinsville - Acting Principal: Judy Hawkins St. Anthony's Deeragun - - - - Principal: John Nuttall (Had served 6 months as Acting Principal) Ryan Catholic College - - - - - Deputy: Ilona Goswell The new Principal and school leaders were introduced to Catholic Education in the Townsville Diocese at a day of induction held at CEO on Monday 22.01.2001.</p>	
2001	On Wednesday 24.01.2001, Bishop Raymond Benjamin, Apostolic Administrator for the Diocese of Townsville, received notification that the Holy Father, Pope John Paul II had appointed a new Bishop of Townsville. He was Bishop Michael Putney, Auxiliary Bishop of the Archdiocese of Brisbane.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001, page 1 Photo included.
2001	25 th January to 13 th April – School Term 1.	Diary 2001.
2001	<p>Mr. Tony McDermott, the Director of Centacare – Catholic Family Services, retired after more than nine years in the position. He finished his duties at the State Conference of Centacare Directors in Brisbane on 28 – 30 January before flying off to Kirrabati in the Pacific where he intended to spend some time teaching at a local Catholic school.</p> <p>Mr. Barry Sheehan was appointed to replace Tony as Director of Centacare which had grown to 50 employees and 15 programs across Townsville, Bowen, Mt Isa and outreach services to Ingham and the Burdekin.</p> <p>Chairperson and longstanding member of the Centacare Board of Governance, Ms Majella Meehan also departed at this time as her term on the Board had expired.</p> <p>Fr. Giles Setter OFM was appointed by Bishop Benjamin to replace Majella.</p> <p>Both Tony and Majella were farewelled at a function at Michel's Restaurant on 27.01.2001.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News</i>, Mar. 2001, page 8 May 2001</p> <p>Townsville Bulletin 29.01.2001, page 8</p> <p>Townsville Catholic Archives, Ref. 784/6</p>
2001	List of services and programs provided by Centacare.	<i>Dio. News</i> , May 2001, p.3.
2001	<p>In early February, the Final Report entitled “<i>Recommendations, Implications and Timetable for Implementation of the Structural Review of Bishop's Office</i>” was presented to Bishop Benjamin and subsequently to a joint meeting of the College of Consultors, Diocesan Finance and Property Council Board and the Diocesan Development Fund Board. Later the same day, the recommendations made in the report were conveyed to the staff in the Diocesan Office.</p> <p>It was decided to separate the management of the Diocesan Development Fund as a separate business entity of the Diocese. It was proposed to appoint a new manager for the DDF by the end of March.</p> <p>For an interim period of six months, a new Office Management Team was to manage the Diocesan Office. The team included Bishop Michael Putney together with Mr Len Horner as Chief Executive Officer (Diocesan Director – Parish Life and Ministry) and Mr Gary Bolton (Diocesan Director – Finance and Support Services).</p> <p>A Diocesan Pastoral Council was to be reconstituted and a Bishop's Advisory Council was to be established.</p>	<p>Diocesan Memorandum Dated 08.03.2001. Signed by Bishop Benjamin as Apostolic Administrator</p>
2001	Fr. John Holyoak was appointed Administrator of the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville. (Photo included).	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.08.2005.
2001	Bishop Raymond Benjamin announced the creation of a new parish formed from the existing parishes of St. Margaret Mary's, Hyde Park, and Holy Trinity Parish, Mundingburra.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Mar. 2001

	The St. Margaret Mary's Church building was to close as a Mass centre and the Holy Trinity building was to be the Church for the new parish. It was hoped that the process would be completed by the end of April.	Page 7
2001	The Holy Family Parish in Currajong adopted "The Little Rock Scripture Study" which was first introduced to the diocese in 2000 in the Holy Spirit Parish.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002
2001	On 14.02.2001, a meeting was held in the unused Brandon Church to discuss plans for its future. Time was allowed for people to reflect on the options and a second meeting was held on 29.03.2001. Representatives of the Burke family, who had made a substantial financial contribution to the construction of the church, also attended the meeting. It was finally decided to sell the church which had been closed since 1995. Most of the furniture was sent to the community church in Cannonvale (used by Catholics and Lutherans) and the Stations of the Cross and Baptismal Font went to the newly built Bowen church.	<i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, Pages 44 & 45</i>
2001	On Friday 23.02.2001, the Diocesan Farewell Liturgy for Bishop Raymond Benjamin was held at the Ryan Community Centre in Morindo Drive, Kirwan, Townsville.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> May 2001, page 11
2001	On 27.02.2001, Bishop Benjamin and members of the Catholic Women's League, along with local politicians, held a Pancake Day at the Shack to launch Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2001.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2001, page 4
2001	A book " <i>Mater Misericordiae: A history of the Mater Hospital Townsville 1945 – 2000</i> " had been completed and was due for publication by the end of the Year. The book was researched by Sr. Gretta McCourt and written by Sr. Cheryl Camp. (Published 2003)	<i>Townsville Bulletin,</i> 05.03.2001, page 6. 18.09.2003, page 5.
2001	On 04.03.2001, Bishop Raymond Benjamin departed from Townsville for retirement in Brisbane as Emeritus Bishop of Townsville. (On Wednesday 24.01.2001, Bishop Ray celebrated his 76 th birthday).	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2001, page 1
2001	On Tuesday 27.03.2001, the solemn Reception and Installation of Bishop Michael Ernest Putney as the fifth Bishop of the Diocese of Townsville took place during Mass in the Holy Trinity Church at Mundingburra. Bishop Putney was born in Gladstone, Queensland, on 20.06.1946 and received his early education at St. Joseph's Convent School in North Ward from 1951 to 1953 and at Our Lady's Mount Christian Brothers College from 1954 to 1960.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. 2001, page 3 May 2001, page 5 Photos included.
2001	Members of the Diocesan Professional Standards Working Group (PSWG) conducted an Awareness Day for the Abergowrie Parish Council to focus on issues related to sexual abuse.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> May 2001, page 2
2001	On 01.04.2001, Bishop Michael Putney made his first official visit to Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, when he came to commission the new Parish Leadership Group.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 123</i>
2001	Eight key leaders of "Edmund Rice Camps (ERC) Townsville, a youth ministry initiative, enjoyed a Leader's Camp at Jourama Falls, north of Townsville. ERC was inspired by the Christian Brothers and in Townsville was run as a diocesan project.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> May 2001, page 12 Photo included.
2001	Easter Sunday 15.04.2001.	Diary 2001.
2001	Representative from 13 regional and rural schools met together at the Catholic Education Office in Townsville to explore strategies by which they could expand their outreach to their respective communities. The workshop was facilitated by Cathy Whittaker and Sharon Hayston.	<i>Diocesan News,</i> May 2001, page 4 Photo included.
2001	23 rd April to 22 nd June – School Term 2.	Diary 2001.

2001	Death of Fr. Kevin Clancy aged 74 years in his unit at Wellington Park, Townsville on Monday 23.04.2001. Born on 03.07.1926. Fr. Kevin was due to celebrate the 50 th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood in June this year. Funeral in Holy Trinity Church, Mundingburra. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section A, Subdivision 4, Grave no. 679	<i>Diocesan News</i> , May 2001, page 3 Celebration of Eucharist Booklet 27.04.2001
2001	On 26.04.2001, death in Townsville of Josephite Sister Gerardus (Irene Mary Josephine Mullins) aged 68. Sister Gerardus was buried in the Belgian Garden Cemetery Section B, Subdivision 1, Grave No. 221	<i>Eucharist of Thanksgiving for the Life of Sr Gerardus</i>
2001	On the weekend of 5 th and 6 th May, Sr. Carmel Boyle presented a healing course for women at <i>Gethsemane – Place of Blessing</i> in Cranbrook, Townsville.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , May 2001, page 4
2001	A band of Vinnie's volunteers from Collinsville once again entered a Mayday float in the annual parade. The group took out first prize. The theme of their float was " <i>Alice in Vinnie's Wonderland</i> ". Everything on the float was either handmade or bought at a Vinnie's store.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001 Photos included.
2001	On Wednesday 09.05.2001, Australia remembered the centenary of federation with a celebration marking the opening of the first Federal Parliament in Melbourne in 1901.	" <i>Australia Through Time</i> " 2005 Edition.
2001	On the weekend 19-20 May, at the Mercure Inn in Townsville, the Townsville Catholic Education Office held their annual conference for beginning teachers to assist in their transition to this new career.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001
2001	<u>Teachers beginning at St. Margaret Mary's</u> 1. Marilyn Stanley 2. Mary O'Toole 3. Anne Perkins	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001 Photo included.
2001	On Thursday 24.05.2001, Bishop Michael Putney presided at a special Diocesan Mass in the Sacred Heart Cathedral to re-dedicate our Diocese to Mary Help of Christians. Also, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference decided to celebrate the Centenary of Federation in Australia by re-dedicating our nation to the Patroness of Australia – Mary Help of Christians.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , May 2001 Page 2
2001	At Proserpine in May, three members of the Busuttin family each celebrated 50 years in religious life. They were Fr. Bill Busuttin, parish priest at Hughenden, Sr. Betty Busuttin doing pastoral work in Rockhampton and Sr. Alberta Busuttin, also working in pastoral care.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001
2001	At the end of May, more than 40 representatives from the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference and 17 dioceses throughout Australia gathered in Townsville to participate in a National Pastoral Planning Conference. Sr. Bernadette Keating, a member of the Congregation of Presentation Sisters in Victoria, facilitated the conference.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , May 2001 Page 1
2001	Canossian Sister Lucy Kert, Chaplain at James Cook University Multifaith Chaplaincy Service, called for donations to transform the barren wilderness outside the new premises allocated to the Chaplaincy Service.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001 <i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.02.2008, page 6.
2001	On Friday 15.06.2001, an Ecumenical Service was held in Julia Creek to commence the proceedings for the weekend of the Centenary of Federation Celebrations in the district. Three ministers co-celebrated the service – Fr. Bill Busuttin (Catholic), Fr. Ernie Lemmon (Anglican), and Rev. Len Wilmington (Uniting Church).	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001
2001	Andrea O'Brien, principal of St. Margaret Mary's College, established the position of campus minister which was filled in July by Sr. Carmel Ruddick RSM.	<i>T'ville Bull.-Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.06.2003, page 4
2001	Affiliation of the Townsville Mater Hospital with James Cook University in regard to Medical and Nursing	<i>Diocesan News</i> ,

	<p>education and Research Clinics at the Mater with the relocation of 13 to 28 doctors. Cardiac Rehabilitation Programme commenced in April. On Saturday 23.06.2001, Bishop Michael Putney blessed and opened the new Sr. Dorothea Loth Building and associated infrastructure at the Mater Misericordiae Private Hospital in Townsville. This was followed by the Official Opening of the Post Traumatic Stress Disorder Unit (PTSD) by the Prime Minister. In July, the Mater became an Incorporated Body The three storey building was constructed by Abigroup Contractors Pty. Ltd. along Lothair Street, Pimlico, at the rear of the hospital complex.</p>	<p>Mar. 1999 Jun. & Jul. 2001. <i>Townsville Bulletin</i> 23.06.2001, pages 39 & 66 25.06.2001, page.2 <i>Mater Health Services</i> <i>North Queensland,</i> <i>Developments</i></p>																																																																								
2001	<p>On Sunday 24.06.2001, Bishop Michael Putney Officially Opened and Blessed the Good Shepherd Community Centre in Allambie Lane, Rasmussen. The Centre was built by Lancini Constructions and the adjacent caretaker's house was erected by Gabrielli Constructions. The large community hall was to be used as a church and would replace the Upper Ross Mass Centre at Kelso.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Jul. 2001, Photos included Townsville Catholic Archives Ref. 779/5</p>																																																																								
2001	<p>Fr. Peter O'Reilly SVD was reported as being out of Intensive Care at the Mater Hospital and was doing well. Fr. Peter was Priest in Residence at Bowen. Fr. Otto Shelly SVD was supplying in Bowen during Fr. Peter's absence.</p>	<p><i>Clergy News, 29.06.2001</i> <i>Townsville Catholic</i> <i>Archives, Ref. 779/5</i></p>																																																																								
2001	<p>Bishop Putney appointed Ms Kate Nesbitt from Brisbane as the Lay Pastoral Leader of St. Mary's Parish in Bowen. Kate replaced Sr. Patsy Grundy PBVM, who had served as pastoral leader for the last five years and was now undertaking further studies in Sydney.</p>	<p><i>Clergy News, 29.06.2001</i> <i>Diocesan News, Jul. 2001</i> <i>Archives, Ref. 779/5</i></p>																																																																								
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2001	<p>At 6pm on Saturday 30.06.2001, the parishes of Holy Trinity, Mundingburra and St. Margaret Mary's, Hyde Park, were suppressed by Bishop Michael Putney during a service in St. Margaret Mary's Church.</p>	<p><i>Diary</i> <i>J. K. White</i></p>																																																																								
2001	<p>On Sunday 01.07.2001, Bishop Michael Putney presided at a special Eucharist in the Holy Trinity Church at Mundingburra, to dedicate the new parish of Blessed Mary MacKillop. The new parish was formed by combining the former St. Margaret Mary's Parish and the Holy Trinity Parish. Holy Trinity Church would be the official Parish Church and St. Margaret Mary's Church and</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Mar. & Jul. 2001 <i>Clergy News, 29.06.2001</i> <i>Townsville Catholic</i></p>																																																																								

	Parish Centre would remain intact within the St Margaret Mary's School Complex.	<i>Archives, Ref. 779/5</i>
2001	Edmund Rice Camps, Townsville, held its first camp for the year at Camp Irwin, Nelly Bay on Magnetic Island. The organisation was now in its second year in Townsville.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001 Photo included.
2001	In July, Mr. John Sherriff, Bachelor of Commerce, FCPA (FPS), was appointed Financial Administrator of the Diocese of Townsville. The new appointment was in addition to his duties as Manager of the Townsville Diocesan Development Fund, a position he had held since 2001. He had been a Board Member since July 1997. (John retired as Manager on 30 th January 2015 – TDDF Annual Report 2014).	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.03.03, page 8 & 15.12.11 page 6.
2001	9 th July to 21 st September – School Term 3.	Diary 2001.
2001	In July 2001, Andrea O'Brien, principal of St. Margaret Mary's College, established the position of campus minister which was filled by Sr. Carmel Ruddick RSM.	<i>T'ville Bull.-Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.06.2003, page 4
2001	Death in Brisbane on Saturday 21.07.2001 of Archbishop Francis Roberts Rush, former Archbishop of Brisbane (1973 – 1991), at the age of 84. Born in Townsville on 11.09.1916, Bishop Rush was ordained in Rome for the Townsville Diocese in 1939. He was appointed Bishop of Rockhampton in 1960 and consecrated in 1961. In 1973, he became the first Australian and Queenslander to be appointed to the office of Archbishop of Brisbane. He retired in 1991.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Oct. 2001, page 3 Photo included T'ville Catholic Archives Ref. 754/5
2001	On Friday 27.07.2001, the Music Room renovations at the Mount Isa Catholic High School were officially opened.	<i>Townsville Catholic Archives, Ref. 779/5</i>
2001	Australia took stock on 07.08.2001, with the nation's 14 th Census.	"Australia Through Time" 2005 Edition.
2001	On 11.08.2001, people from parishes and diocesan agencies gathered in Townsville for "a Conversation on Evangelisation" with Bishop Michael Putney.	<i>Catholic Leader</i> 26.08.2001, page 17
2001	On Sunday 12.08.2001, a Combined Churches Service of Thanksgiving was held in Anzac Park, Townsville, as part of celebrations for the Centenary of Federation.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jul. 2001
2001	A Catholic education float participated in the Federation North parade which was held in Townsville as part of celebrations marking the Centenary of Federation. Another highlight of the celebrations was the visit by Olympic Champion, Susie O'Neill to the Good Shepherd School at Rasmussen.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Oct. 2001, page 7 Photo included.
2001	Many schools throughout the diocese joined in 'St. Vinnies first Crazy Dress Day'. Children and staff wore wigs, odd socks and hats and fancy dress and gave a donation of a gold coin for the Society's 'Education Fund'. St. Vinnies hope to hold the event each year.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Cath. News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2001	On 26.08.2001, various ethnic groups celebrated Migrant and Refugee Sunday at a special Multicultural Mass at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Bishop Putney hoped the Multicultural Mass would become an annual event in the Diocese.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Oct. 2001, page 5 Photo included.
2001	8 th October to 14 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2001.
2001	On Tuesday 11.09.2001, the original World Trade Center in Lower Manhattan, New York City, was destroyed by a terrorist attack. The twin towers were struck by two hijacked commercial airliners. A total of 2,763 people were killed in the collapse of the towers, including 2,192 civilians, 343 firefighters and 71 law enforcement officers as well as the 147 passengers and crew on the airplanes, and the ten	<i>History: How the Twin Towers Collapsed</i>

	<p>hijackers.</p> <p>On Thursday 13.09.2001, Bishop Michael Putney presided at a special Mass in the Sacred Heart Cathedral to pray for the victims of the terrorist attack on the twin towers of the World Trade Centre in New York. A Condolence Book of signatures was passed on to the American Embassy.</p> <p>He also preached at an Ecumenical Memorial Service held in St. James Anglican Cathedral on 16.09.2001.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001, page 1 <i>Catholic Leader</i> 30.09.2001</p>
2001	<p>On the weekend of September 15-16, 35 people from the city and the bush gathered at “Cathedral” Station, Maxwelton, for an outback experience in search of an authentic Australian spirituality.</p> <p>Speakers at the weekend included Morrie Dando (ancient geology), Elaine McEwan (Indigenous spirituality), Richard Magoffin (pre and post Waltzing Matilda Sociology) and Nev Hunt (his experience of Western Ecology).</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001 Page 5</p>
2001	<p>Bishop Michael Putney visited St. Christopher’s Church at Woodstock (part of the Mundingburra Parish) to celebrate with members of the local community.</p> <p>Six children were confirmed and received First Eucharist and one child was baptised.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001, page 5 Photo included.</p>
2001	<p>A “<i>Prayer Leadership Programme</i>” was underway in the West.</p> <p>A second volume of poetry by Pat Cullen, “More Reflections from the Desert” with illustrations by Norah Kersh, was launched as a means of fundraising for the programmes.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001, page 2 Photo included.</p>
2001	<p>On 01.10.2001, Bishop Putney launched the Annual Bishop’s Appeal announcing that because of the decrease of funds available, some of the diocesan offices and ministries would need to close in the New Year and others would be severely curtailed.</p> <p>Director of Liturgy, Ms Erica Marshall, and Co-ordinator of the Pastoral Planning Office, Sr. Mary Lowcock were to cease their employment with the diocese at the end of the year.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001, page 3 Jan. 2002</p>
2001	<p>Saturday 13.10.2001 was an historic day for members of the Catholic and Lutheran communities in the Whitsunday region, when they met at Whitsunday Wanderers to confirm their intentions to join in a partnership to build and maintain a worship building on the site of St. Martin’s Lutheran Church at Cannonvale. (Consecrated 22.09.2002).</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Jan. 2002 <i>Townsville Bulletin-</i> <i>Catholic News Supplement,</i> 26.09.2002.</p>
2001	<p>Sunday 21.10.2001 marked the International Celebration of the 75th Annual World Mission Day.</p> <p>Townsville Diocesan Director of Catholic Mission, Mrs. Margaret Cox welcomed National Director Fr. Terry Bell to Townsville to promote World Mission Day.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Oct. 2001, page 2 Photo included.</p>
2001	<p>In Rome on 22.11.2001, Pope John Paul II delivered his Apostolic Exhortation <i>Ecclesia in Oceania</i> to a gathering of people from Oceania, one whom was Bishop Michael Putney from Townsville.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Jan. 2002</p>
2001	<p>Centacare’s Family Skills Program linked up with the Townsville Multicultural Support Group (TMSG) to form a group called “Common Ground”, to work with newly arrived migrants and members of the indigenous Community.</p>	<p><i>Diocesan News,</i> Jan. 2002 Photo included.</p>
2001	<p>During November, a Bishop’s Advisory Council was formed as a consultative group to the Bishop on pastoral issues in the diocese.</p> <p><u>Membership of the Council include:-</u> Bishop Michael Putney Fr. Terry Lyons (Vicar General)</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-</i> <i>Catholic News Supplement,</i> 26.09.2002, page 3 Photo included.</p>

	<p>Fr. Michael Peters (Chair, Council of Priests) Mike Byrne (Director, Catholic Education Office) Barry Sheehan (Director, Centacare – Catholic Family Services) Sr. Helen Mary Peters RSM (Congregational Leader, Sisters of Mercy) Therese Pellizzari (Diocesan President, Catholic Women’s League) Len Horner (Director, Parish Life and Ministry) John Sherriff (Deputy Financial Administrator) Harry Power (Diocesan Financial Administrator) Sid Brischetto (Diocesan President, St. Vincent de Paul Society) Nicky Kitson (Minutes Secretary)</p>	Also 19.02.2004 Photo included.
2001	On 06.12.2001, representatives from many parishes met at the RSL Club in Townsville to undertake a fresh look at Planned Giving and fund raising in the diocese.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jan. 2002
2001	On 12.12.2001, a new Townsville Mercy Leadership Team took up office. At their recent Chapter, the Sisters chose Sr. Helen Mary Peters to lead them into the next five years supported by Sr. Catherine Cuddihy, Sr. Beverley Hickson, Sr. Carmel King and Sr. Carmel Ruddick.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Oct. 2001, page 3 Photo included.
2001	A sea of life size figures representing well known Australians flooded the lawns of Parliament House, Canberra for <i>Peoplescape</i> – the national finale to this year’s Centenary of Federation celebrations. Bishop Raymond was nominated by the Year 10 Art Class from St. Margaret Mary’s College and Fr. Michael Lowcock from Good Shepherd Parish, Mt. Isa, was nominated by six teenagers from Youth Community Combined Action.	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jan. 2002
2001	During 2001, the old presbytery in Ingham, built by Dean Thomas Grogan and opened on 23.06.1935 by Bishop McGuire was removed to provide for vehicle parking and a larger play area for students.	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2001	During the year, the St. Vincent de Paul Society formed a “Mini Vinnies” group in Charters Towers. This program spread to primary schools across Australia.	<i>T’ville Bulletin-Cath. News Supp.15.11.2007, page 6.</i>
2001	After one year as Parish Co-ordinator in Ayr, Sr. Helen Mary Peters RSM was elected head of her Order and had to leave the Ayr parish. Jim McKinnon succeeded her, becoming the first lay person appointed to the role of Parish Pastoral Co-ordinator in Ayr at the beginning of 2002.	<i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012 The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 49</i>
2001	On 31.12.2001, death of Sister Mary Dolores Donaghue in Townsville aged 92 years. Born Allie Elizabeth Donaghue on 23.06 1909. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Grave no. 34.	<i>Mass of Thanksgiving Booklet</i>
2001	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Ignatius Park College – 2001</u></p> <p>A College Board was established to ensure that the local school community would be more involved in the direct governance of the College. Dr. Sue McGinty was the first Chairperson.</p> <p>The inaugural Rugby Tour of the United Kingdom included a visit to Mount Sion College in Waterford, Ireland, to see the original school set up by Christian Brother’s founder Blessed Edmund Rice.</p>	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009, Page 73 .</i>

	<p>Nine computer terminals were set up for student use in the library.</p> <p>The school production was Hot Mikado, a modern adaptation of Gilbert and Sullivan.</p> <p>A combined team from Ignatius Park College and St. Patrick's College were named the Queensland Westpac Secondary School Surf League Champions for 2001. They competed against 40 schools throughout the state.</p> <p>A mural representing aspects of Aboriginal culture (the land) and Torres Strait Island culture (the sea) was painted on the wall of the student services building by artist James Doyle from the Black Cockatoo Gallery.</p>	
2002	Australia's population 19,778,525	<i>"Australia Through Time"</i> 2005 Edition.
2002	Year of the Outback	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jan. 2002
2002	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Clergy changes announced by Bishop Putney:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Congregation of the Mission (Vincentians) agreed to provide two priests for work in the Townsville Diocese. 2. Fr. Glen Humphreys CM was appointed as priest-in-residence in Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish at Mundingburra / Hyde Park at the end of January to become part of the Leadership Team with Pastoral Leader Mrs. Lyn Horner. 3. Fr. Jose Kogickal CM would soon join Fr. Glen to form a small community. 4. Fr. Brooks Patterson was transferred from the Whitsunday Parish to be Parish Priest of St. Columba's Parish in Charters Towers. 5. After several years as a Chaplain with the Armed Forces, Fr. Michael Taylor returned to the Diocese and would replace Fr. Patterson in the Whitsunday Parish. 6. Fr. Ed Stewart was due back in the Diocese at the end of February. 7. Maltese born Paulist Priest, Fr. Francis Ferriggi MSSP was due at the end of February to help out in the Ingham parish for several months. ----- 8. Fr. John Holyoak was appointed Administrator at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. 9. Fr. Denis Moroney replaced Fr. Holyoak as Parish Priest of St. Mark's on Cleveland Bay Parish at Railway Estate. Fr. Moroney would also remain as duty chaplain at the new Townsville Hospital. 10. Townsville Diocesan priest Fr. Ormond G. Rush was recently appointed as President of St. Paul's Theological College at Banyo. 	<p><i>Diocesan News</i>, Jan. 2002.</p> <p><i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News</i> - Supplement, 18.09 2003, Photo incl.</p>
2002	Lee-Ann Barton, formerly Co-ordinator of Information Technology at Ryan Catholic College, was appointed to the Townsville Catholic Education Office as Curriculum Officer (Information and Communication Technology).	<i>Diocesan News</i> , Jan. 2002 Photo included.
2002	Mr. Matthew Dash was appointed Principal of St. Francis Primary School in Ayr. (2002 – 2011)	<i>The Greatest Gift</i>

	He succeeded Mr. George De Jong.	<i>Celebrating 100 Years, p18</i>
2002	29 th January to 28 th March – School Term 1.	Diary 2002.
2002	The North Queensland Cowboy's "Adopt A School" program was inaugurated in 2002.	<i>Our Cath. Schools, Dio.of T'ville, Term 1, 2010</i>
2002	On Sunday 09.02.2002, in the Holy Trinity Church, Fr. Glen Humphries C.M. was commissioned as Priest in Residence at Mundingburra.	<i>Diary J. K. White</i>
2002	St. Mary's Parish in West End, Townsville, embraced "The Little Rock Scripture Study" which was first introduced to the diocese in 2000 in the Holy Spirit Parish and 2001 in Holy Family Parish, Currajong.	<i>T'ville Bull - Cath. News Supp. 12.12.2002, page 6</i>
2002	On 3-5 March, Fr. Laurence Freeman OSB visited the diocese to speak about Christian meditation.	<i>Diocesan News, Jan. 2002</i>
2002	On 18.03.2002, priests and pastoral leaders of parishes met with school principals to discuss the relationship between schools and parishes.	<i>Diocesan News, Jan. 2002</i>
2002	Easter Sunday 31.03.2002.	Diary 2002.
2002	On 01.04.2002, The Sisters of Mercy in Townsville transferred ownership and management of the Villa Vincent Hostel and Nursing Home, the Mercy Meals Centre, Community Care Services, the Mercy Day Respite Care Centre, administration of C.A.P.S. packages and Northern Carer Respite to St. Vincent's Community Services. (Ozcare) (The Sisters retained management of Villa McAuley, Loreto and the Mercy Hostel in Hatchett Street, Cranbrook).	<i>Townsville Bulletin, 11.02.2002, page 6. T'ville Bull, - Cath. News Supp. 20.03.2003, page 6 Supp. 18.09.2003, page 4</i>
2002	On 06.04.2002, St. Colman's School in Home Hill celebrated its 75 th Anniversary. This day also saw the official opening of a project involving the establishment of an Administration area, a senior school section with its own student amenities and the inclusion of toilets in the Preschool room. This project had been completed in August 2001. At the same time the school received a further facelift in the form of painting of the exterior. Murals were also painted on the preschool and tuckshop walls. The school had been originally been established in the church and in the convent on 07.02.1927.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 11.07.2002. Home Hill Observer, 20 09 2001, page 7 11.07.2002, page 3 St. Colman's School 1927 – 2002, page 7</i>
2002	When St Colman's Home Hill Grade 6 students of 1950 got together for the school's Jubilee recently, their teacher was missing. They decided to travel to Townsville to catch up with her. Sr. Mary Angela was now in her 90's and was a resident of Loreto House at St. Patrick's College.	<i>Home Hill Observer, Thursday 25.04.2002 Page 4.</i>
2002	9 th April to 21 st June – School Term 2.	Diary 2002.
2002	On 12.04.2002, the Knights of the Southern Cross held an ecumenical dinner for men at the Town and Country Club – Townsville Showgrounds.	<i>Diocesan News, Jan. 2002.</i>
2002	Inmates from the Cleveland Bay Youth Detention Centre helped create a spectacular mural on the back wall of St. Teresa's Church in Garbutt under the watchful eye of artistic director Simon Fleming. The mural was designed with the help of Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Centre president 'Aunty' Mary Twaddle.	<i>The Sun 08.05.2002 Page 8</i>
2002	Bishop Michael Putney joined 78 bishops from across Australia, New Zealand, Papua New Guinea and Pacific countries for a four day meeting of the Catholic Bishops of Oceania at a conference in Rabaul, Papua New Guinea. A key concern at the meeting was the issue of community violence endemic in many parts of Papua New Guinea and the Solomons.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement, 11.07.2002 Page 5.</i>

2002	The oval at St. Joseph's Primary School in Mundingburra was a sea of colour when students wore their brightest socks to participate in a sock drive for the needy. Crazy Socks Day raised more than 350 pairs of new children's and adult's socks.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.07.2002, pages 1 & 4
2002	Death of Townsville priest Richard Lamaro at Messina in Italy where he worked as parish priest for the last eleven years. Fr. Lamaro was ordained in Townsville in 1973. Before moving to Italy in 1991, he was on loan to a parish in Victoria and in London.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.07.2002, page 7
2002	To mark its 15 th birthday, Gethsemane in Cranbrook produced a CD entitled " <i>Healing Meditations</i> ". Sr. Monica Quilty said that " <i>Dealing with Anger – Yours and Theirs</i> " was to be offered more frequently and a new course by psychologist and potter, Russ Frazer, was introduced in May.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002, page 2 Supp. 18.09.2003.
2002	At a meeting of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference, steps were taken to raise the profile of the ecology movement within the Catholic Church. The former Bishops' Committee for Justice, Peace and Development was renamed the Bishops' Committee for Justice, Peace, Ecology and Development.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.07.2002, page 6
2002	Centacare introduced the "Employment Assistance Program", a five year plan to help people to deal with conflict resolution within the workforce.	<i>Towns Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002, page 7 Supp. 18.09.2003
2002	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>A new Council of Priests was elected for the Diocese of Townsville.</u></p> Members were:- Fr. Michael Peters, parish priest of Mary Help of Christians Parish, Castle Hill (Chairman), Fr. Brooks Patterson (Charters Towers), Fr. Mick Lowcock (Mount Isa), Fr. Michael Taylor (Whitsundays), Fr. Giles Setter OFM (Deeragun), Fr. Peter Quilty (Townsville) and the Vicar General, Fr. Terry Lyons (Cranbrook).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.07.2002 Page 6
2002	Fr. Peter Quilty was appointed Diocesan Director of Caritas Australia replacing Len Horner. Len was Diocesan Director for nearly 20 years. (2002 to 2010)	<i>Towns Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002, page 6
2002	On 14.06.2002, Fr. Alfonso Grageda arrived in the diocese to commenced work. He was the first priest from the Archdiocese of Caceres in the Philippines to volunteer for service in the Townsville diocese. (He left to return home on 25.10.2005).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Cath News Supplements</i> 25.11.2005, page 4. 17.07.2007, pages 2 & 3.
2002	The Diocesan Choir was reformed to lead the music at Diocesan liturgical events. Jacqui Croker was appointed as co-ordinator of music and conductor of the choir.	<i>Towns Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002, page 7
2002	During the weekend Friday 7 June to Monday 10 June 2002, the Columba Catholic College Community celebrated the Centenary of the arrival of the Christian Brothers in Charters Towers. On the Friday, 08.06.2002, more than 800 <i>people</i> crowded on to the basketball courts at the Mount Carmel Campus of Columba Catholic College to welcome past students and Staff. Brother Don Beatson's book, " <i>And They Came To Share The Vision</i> ", about the history of the Christian Brothers in Charters Towers, was also launched on this occasion. On Saturday 08.06.2002, a Centenary Plaque to publicly recognise the involvement of the Christian Brothers in Charters Towers, was unveiled in Mosman Street, followed by morning tea at the Arthur Titley Centre, Mossman Street.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.07.2002 Page 8 Photos included. <i>Christian Brothers in Charters Towers Commemorating</i>

	At 5 pm, a Mass was celebrated followed by the official “Lighting of the Hempenstall Oval”. On Sunday 09.06.2002, there was a remembrance of deceased Brothers, staff and students at the cemetery. On Monday 10.06.2002, a Farewell Breakfast was held in the Mount Carmel Dining Room.	<i>100 years, 1902 – 2002</i> <i>Pages 8 & 9</i>
2002	In June, Kate Nesbitt, Lay Pastoral Leader of St. Mary’s Parish, Bowen, and Tess Fong from Holy Family at Gulliver represented the Townsville Diocese at the National Catechumenate Conference in Launceston, Tasmania. Both women were members of the Diocesan Liturgical Commission. The Conference pursued the methodology of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. Joyce Higgins from Cranbrook also attended as a member of the National Catechumenate Network.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> <i>11.07.2002</i> <i>Page 6</i>
2002	Through collaboration with the <i>Townsville Bulletin</i> , a new version of <i>Catholic News</i> as a supplement in the paper was introduced in the Catholic Diocese of Townsville.	<i>Towns Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 11.07.2002, page 2</i>
2002	Townsville Mater Hospital – Ante-natal Post-natal Clinics. Launch of Hospital Web Site.	<i>Mater Health Services North Qld., Developments</i>
2002	The theme for this year’s NAIDOC Week (7 th to 13 th July) was “Recognition, Rights and Reform”.	<i>Towns Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 11.07.2002, page 6</i>
2002	9 th July to 20 th September – School Term 3.	<i>Diary 2002.</i>
2002	On 14.07.2002, Olivia Horner, Mary McAuliffe and Shannon Cavanagh set off for Brisbane to join with other Queensland pilgrims on a two week pilgrimage. Their destination was Toronto, Canada for the 17 th World Youth Day. Social justice worker Shannon Cavanagh was one of two Australian Christian youth representatives to be chosen by the Australian Catholic Bishop’s committee to travel to a world conference in Canada this month.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supps.</i> <i>11.07.2002, page 2</i> <i>26.09.2002 , page 7</i>
2002	The 17 th World Youth Day was held in Toronto from 14 th July to 1 st August.	<i>Diocesan News, Jan. 2002</i>
2002	From 22.07.2002, (during the “Year of the Outback”) a group from the Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC) conducted a five day tour of remote communities such as Charleville, Longreach and Mount Isa to gain a better understanding of the needs of the schools in the outback. On 11.08.2002, the outback focus continued when a group from Townsville Diocesan Education Council headed for Hughenden for a community barbecue and a full DEC meeting on Monday, 12.08.2002.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> <i>11.07.2002</i> <i>Page 6</i>
2002	<u>Catholic Earthcare Australia</u> was established to oversee the environmental commitment of Australia’s Catholic community and to advise people on how they could make a difference.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 26.09.2002.</i>
2002	The Marian School in Townsville was recognised nationwide as a prime example of “ecological conversion” in a video detailing how Catholics could respond to the call from Pope John Paul II.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> <i>26.09.2002.</i>
2002	New Gambling Help services operating under the auspice of Centacare, and funded by the Department of Families, were introduced to Townsville and Mount Isa,	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 26.09.2002.</i>
2002	On 06.08.2002, three priests celebrated their jubilees of ordination at a Mass in Holy Family Church, Gulliver, Townsville. Fr. Michael celebrated 60 years of ordination, Jesuit Fr. Peter Green marked 50 years, and Vincentian Fr. Glen Humphreys 25 years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> <i>26.09.2002, page 1</i>
2002	On Friday and Saturday August 23 and 24, the first students to be enrolled at the Marian School returned	<i>Townsville Bulletin-</i>

	after fifty years to join in the golden jubilee celebrations. Students buried a time capsule which contained students' work, photographs, and the schools "Kalori" magazine from 1952 to 1987.	<i>Cath. News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2002	In August, Marian School students and teachers celebrated 50 years of schooling at its St. John Fisher's campus. The first day of school was on 05.02.1952.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002, page 5
2002	As part of Vocations Awareness Week, Fr. Martin Monaghan visited Townsville to promote the church as a prospective employer.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 26.09.2002, page 5
2002	The Mount Isa Centacare office staff joined in the Year of the Outback celebrations. The staff dressed as bushies and the Stanley Street waiting room was turned into an outback camp. Australian of the Year, tennis star Pat Rafter, returned to his home town and made a special stop at the former Good Shepherd Primary School which now housed Centacare.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2002	The Gravox Grants Program awarded "Gethsemane – Place of Blessing" \$500.	<i>The Express</i> , Aug. 2002
2002	A "Western Muster" was held in Hughenden during August. There were 49 representatives from the Anglican, Catholic, Queensland Churches Together, Baptist and Uniting Churches from Charters Towers to Mount Isa including Winton. The three guest speakers were Deborah Smith (Mount Isa) – 'Can we help our youth?'; Rev. Dennis Quinn (Winton) – 'A newcomer's view'; and Fr. Bill Busuttin (Hughenden) – 'Vision for the future'.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002, page 8
2002	September began with the sitting of the State Parliament in the Townsville Entertainment Centre. Bishop Michael Putney represented the Catholic community at the Civic Reception, the Parliamentary Prayer Breakfast and the official opening	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Cath. News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2002	From September 7 to 15, a week long focus on Vocations Awareness took place throughout the Townsville Diocese. A special Men's Breakfast was held and an evening for young people at Molly Malone's Bar.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.07.2002.
2002	From 8 to 11 September, the Queensland Catholic Women's League conducted their 23 rd Biennial State Conference at the Southbank Conference Centre in Townsville. Stem cell research, euthanasia and the need for new young blood were among the issues discussed at the conference.	<i>T'ville Bull -- Cath. News Supp.</i> 26.09.2002, page 5 T'ville Archives Ref. 770/3
2002	Fr. Richard Leonard came to Townsville in September to conduct a series of workshops promoting the important role the media played in helping the church to stay in touch with its members.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 26.09.2002, page 5
2002	Death of Fr. Joachim Alfred (Alf) Dlugaj in Townsville on Sunday 15.09.2002, aged 86 years. Although retired, Fr. Alf remained actively involved in hospital visitation and parish supply work and as chaplain to the Polish community.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Cath. News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002, page 7
2002	On Sunday 22.09.2002, Bishop Michael Putney and Lutheran pastor Tim Jaensch consecrated the new St. Martin's Church in Cannonvale. In 2001, the Lutherans heard of the Catholic need for a new church and offered their land and a partnership in a joint project. The Anglican and Uniting Churches would also occasionally make use of St. Martin's Church.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002, page 4
2002	7 th October to 13 th December – School Term 4.	<i>Diary 2002.</i>
2002	The garden at the House of Prayer and Spirituality in Pimlico was revamped following a successful submission through the Work for the Dole scheme. The service was provided through Townsville Employment Training Incorporated by providing a high quality work experience for the unemployed.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2002	Knights of the Southern Cross invited people to public meetings to hear Raymond de Souza speak on	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath.</i>

	Morality and Conscience. A meeting was held in Ingham on Monday, October 14 and in Townsville at the Holy Family Community Hall on Tuesday, October 15.	<i>News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002.
2002	On 16.10.2002, the 24 th anniversary of his election as Pope, John Paul II proclaimed the year through to October 2003 as the “Year of the Rosary”. He signed an Apostolic Letter – The Rosary of the Virgin Mary (Rosarium Virgins Mariae) in which he also announced the addition of five new mysteries which deal with Christ’s public life.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002, page 3
2002	On October 25 and 26, the Catholic Education Office in Townsville hosted a conference at the Mercure Inn, Woolcock Street, focusing on leadership success, recognising success, and enjoying success. The conference was titled “ <i>Success Through Women’s Eyes</i> ”. Keynote speakers were broadcaster Geraldine Doogue, Fiona Krautil, director of the Equal Employment Opportunities for Women in the Workplace Agency and Dr. Evelyn Scott, who was awarded her honorary doctorate by the Australian Catholic University for her lifelong work for social justice, women’s rights and reconciliation.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplements</i> , 11.07.2002 & 26.09.2002.
2002	Three branches of the North Queensland branches of the Catholic Women’s League celebrated significant birthdays during the year. The Ayr and Home Hill branches celebrated a 40 th birthday and the Townsville branch notched up 50 years of service. The new Whitsundays branch of the league was added to the Townsville region late this year.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002 Page 7
2002	Centacare announced that it had extended its services into the Upper Ross area. Centacare entered into a partnership with the Upper Ross Community Centre to provide counselling there on Wednesday mornings.	<i>T’ville Bull -- Cath. News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002, page 3
2002	Four young Catholic heralds rode their pushbikes from Brisbane to Townsville on a mission to carry the word of God. On the way they visited people in Proserpine, Bowen and Ayr parishes. During their eight day visit, they told youth about the Catholic education group “Kerygma Team”. Kerygma is a Greek word which means the proclamation of a herald who brought news of the day.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002, page 4 Photo included.
2002	On Tuesday 19.11.2002, at a special Mass celebrating the opening of the Sacred Heart Church on 16.11.1902, Bishop Putney related a brief history of the church which became a cathedral in 1930, and announced the start of a fundraising drive in the new year to refurbish the building. He stated that a new roof was needed plus parking facilities and an interior facelift. The Diocesan Choir led the congregation in singing a selection of favourite hymns from the past 100 years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002. 20.03.2003, 18.09.2003, 19.02.2004, 17.02.2005, 20.05.2005.
2002	On 20 th November, at a meeting of the Bishop’s Advisory Council, Bishop Michael Putney launched a website for the Townsville Diocese. The new website was developed by Jim McKinnon, pastoral associate in the Ayr parish on behalf of the Bishop’s Advisory Council.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 08.12.2002, page 17 <i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002, page 5
2002	Evangelist Fr. Gino Henriques visited Townsville during November to deliver a workshop concerning Pope John Paul II’s urgent call to a new evangelisation. Fr. Gino was a priest originating from the Catholic area of Goa in South India.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002.
2002	On 10.11.2002, the first steps towards the formation of a Youth Advisory Council were taken at a youth summit at Ryan Community Centre, Kirwan. The summit was facilitated by Fr. Morgan Batt from the Brisbane Archdiocese. A follow up meeting is to be held on Sunday 16.02.2003.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002, page 6
2002	The new Whitsundays branch of the Catholic Women’s League was added to the Townsville region late this	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath.</i>

	year.	<i>News Supp.</i> 12.12.2002.
2002	On 29 th November, the Bella Voce Choir comprised of 46 students aged 13 to 16 from St. Margaret Mary's College, Hyde Park, left for a choral tour of Hungary and England. During a four day visit to the Kodaly Music School in Hungary, the girls attended daily music classes, participated in choral workshops with international choral masters and performed with renowned Hungarian choirs. The tour also included the choir members singing Christmas Carols in chilly Brighton on 14.12.2002.	<i>Catholic Leader</i> 12.08.2002 <i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 26.09.2002, page 3
2002	On 05.12.2002, Br. Mick Talty and Sr. Anne O'Loughlin left Mount Isa. They were the last Religious at Mt. Isa Catholic High School.	Good Shepherd Parish 2005 Calendar
2002	<p><u>Diocesan Staff Changes</u></p> <p>Fr. Francis Ferriggi MSSP reappointed to the Parish of Ingham for another year. In the new year he will take a certain responsibility for Halifax Parish.</p> <p>Fr. Alfonso Grageda will live in the Parish of St. Mary's, West End, where he will assist Fr. Vic Dalton. After Christmas he will begin the year by supplying in Proserpine. He will continue to work with the Filipino and Salvadoran communities and to support the Apostleship of the Sea and charismatic communities.</p> <p>Sr. Maria Joyner PBVM agreed to renew her contract for one more year in the parishes of Giru and Burdekin Valley.</p> <p>Maria Tremewen finished up in the Diocesan Office. Her work was taken up by Alex Milicevic who has joined the office staff.</p> <p>Fr. Peter Quilty will take over from Fr. Mick Peters as Chaplain to the Stuart Prison at the start of 2003.</p> <p>Fr. Brooks Patterson was appointed to take the place of Fr. Giles Setter on the Centacare Board.</p> <p>Fr. Giles Setter OFM, who is at present on the Diocesan Education Council, will move into a roll as chaplain to the staff of Centacare.</p> <p><u>Farewell to:</u></p> <p>Brothers Vic Larkin and Neil Langan from the Christian Brothers Community in Charters Towers.</p> <p>Sr. Robyn Brady from the Good Samaritan community in Charters Towers.</p> <p>Sr. Margaret Barry PBVM from St. Michael's School on Palm Island.</p> <p>Sr. Lucy Kert and Sr. Agnes from the Canossian community in Townsville.</p> <p>Sr. Helen Kennedy FMM from the community at Rasmussen.</p> <p>Fr. Glynn Murphy from Lavarack. Fr. Glynn has been appointed to the Royal Military College, Duntroon.</p>	<i>Catholic Dio. of T'ville Memorandum</i> <i>Dated 12.12.2002</i>
2002	<p><u>Catholic Education Staff changes</u></p> <p>A. Catholic Education Office director Mike Byrne was seconded to Brisbane for six months to head up the Catholic Employers enterprise bargaining team in 2003. He would also be away on professional enrichment and long service leave in the fourth term</p> <p>B. Head of curriculum and religious education Jim Quillinan took Mike Byrne's place until his return. (Photo included)</p> <p>C. Karen Pearce, former principal at Winton and now at St. Kieran's, Mount Isa, was to return to Townsville next year where she was previously a teacher at Ryan Catholic</p>	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 12.12.2002 Page 4 Photos included.

	<p>College, to become principal of The Marian School. (Photo included)</p> <p>D. Current principal of The Marian School, Paul Lucas, was heading for his third principalship at Holy Spirit School next year. (Photo included)</p> <p>E. Ross Horner, the current principal of Holy Spirit School, would move to a consultancy position in the Catholic Education Office.</p> <p>F. Martin Smith, moving from his position as a consultant at the Catholic Education Office was leaving the diocese after 10 years.</p> <p>G. Michael Conn replaced his twin brother Paul as principal of Ignatius Park College.</p> <p>H. Br. Paul Conn CFC takes on a new post in Catholic Education. (Photo included)</p>	
2002	<p>In 1999, a small Nativity scene was staged at a church at Mount Louisa, Townsville. The event became so popular that three years later, in 2002, Townsville City Council offered more than \$50,000 to see it move to the Strand.</p> <p>“Stable on the Strand” was born with more than 60 churches getting involved.</p>	<p><i>Sun Community Newspapers</i>, 14.11.2012, page 6</p>
2002	<p><u>Ignatius Park College – 2002</u></p> <p>The end of 2002 saw the end of an era as the last Christian Brother Principal of the College, Br. Paul Conn, (1998 – 2002) handed over the reins to his twin brother, Mr. Michael Conn, the first Lay Principal of Ignatius Park College (2003 – still Principal in 2017).</p> <p>The number of students grew to 750.</p> <p>This year marked the Bi-Centenary year of the Christian Brothers whose mission was commenced in Waterford, Ireland in 1802 by Blessed Edmund Rice. The College highlighted this with a special liturgy and student activity on Founder’s Day, May 8th.</p> <p>The Br. Bob Frederick’s building added two science labs and a state of the art hospitality area including an industrial kitchen and restaurant area, as well as three new classrooms and a new art room.</p> <p>After 17 consecutive wins the first XI cricket team were named state champions. They also collected the Christian Brothers Cricket Week Shield and the George Watkin Shield. All-rounder James Spargo was selected in the Australasian Christian Brothers team.</p> <p>The school production was In Your Dreams, a musical adaptation of William Shakespeare’s A Midsummer Night’s Dream.</p> <p>The IPC Jazz Ensemble travelled to Brisbane to participate at the Catholic School’s Music Festival. The group under the guidance of Ms Kelly Nielson won a silver award.</p> <p>The Red Cross introduced the Bram Stocker Shield, an inter-school blood collection competition.</p>	<p><i>A History of Ignatius Park College</i> 1969 – 2009, Pages 3 & 75.</p>

	Although donations had been made by students and staff before, they were now under the guidance of Mr. Dennis McCloskey and school leaders. It became the senior community service project for the year.	
2003	Australia's population 20,017,680	<i>"Australia Through Time"</i> 2005 Edition.
2003	28 th January to 17 th April – School Term 1.	Diary 2003.
2003	Indigenous students attending seven schools in the Townsville Diocese were to take part in a new project called "Working Together for Indigenous Youth" (WTIY). The project was aimed at helping students make the transition from Year 12 to paid employment or tertiary study.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 8
2003	From February on, Sr. Dawn Gibson SGS, pastoral worker in Holy Spirit Parish in Cranbrook began gathering a group of parishioners to assist her in implementing the "Catholics Returning Home Program". The program was to be offered twice a year in May and October.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supplements</i> 19.06.2003, page 7 11.12.2003, page 6 19.08.2004 & 29.03.2012
2003	Tongan aid worker Olivina Tu'iono visited the twin cities in March to educate Catholic school children and local parishes about the importance of supporting Caritas' major fund raising event, the Project Compassion Appeal.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.03.2003 page 6
2003	Mr. John Sherriff, Bachelor of Commerce, FCPA (FPS), was appointed by Bishop Putney as financial administrator of the Diocese of Townsville. The new appointment was in addition to his duties as manager of the Diocesan Development Fund, a position held since 2001.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 8 15.12.2011, page 6
2003	On 21.03.2003, Catholic Health Australia (CHA) and the Mater Hospital conducted a seminar entitled "Ethics and Ethical Standards in Health and Aged Care – forminghealing society. The seminar was presented by Sr. Liz Hepburn (Brisbane Mater) and Ray Campbell (Brisbane Bioethics Centre).	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.03.2003, page 8 Cat. Dio. of T'ville Memo 12.12.2002
2003	Planning was underway for the first major renovations to the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Necessary maintenance was to be carried out plus an improved ventilation system and an interior facelift. John Ahearn of Ahearn Architects was commissioned to carry out the project. (T'ville Bull. – Cath News Supps. 12.12.2002, 20.03.2003, p.2, 18.09.2003, p.2 11.12.2003, p.3, 19.02.2004)	<i>Townsville Bulletin Catholic News Supplements</i>
2003	Christian Brother Neil Langan who was born and educated in Townsville moved to Papua New Guinea to live and work at Mt. Hagen for three years helping to establish the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. His family was now living in Brisbane.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps.</i> 20.03.2003, page 4 11.12.2003, page 7
2003	Townsville World Youth Day Delegate Olivia Horner attended a gathering in Brisbane of Diocesan Youth Co-ordinators from March 10 to 12 to discuss plans for the Youth Movers and Shakers Conference to be held in Brisbane at the end of April.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 4
2003	On 18.03.2003 in Mt. Isa, Centacare Family Services and Centacare Employment were opened and blessed	Good Shepherd Parish

	by Bishop Michael Putney. On 19.03.2003, Bishop Putney opened and blessed St. Joseph's Pre-School in Mt. Isa.	2005 Calendar
2003	The St. Vinnies Tutoring Program was taken to Palm Island by two university students (Miss Caroline and Mr. Chris) who volunteered their time for one week to assist children at St. Michael's School with their studies.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.06.2003, page 7
2003	On Tuesday 01.04.2003, Centacare invited key members of the Townsville gaming industry to participate in a "Bare Foot Bowls" competition at the Townsville Lawn Bowls Club on the Strand. The afternoon provided an opportunity for the Responsible Gaming Advisory Committee representative, and Director of Centacare Townsville, Barry Sheehan, along with Gambling Help staff at Centacare, Helen Kemp, Anne Lee, Steven Parker and Sarah Petersen, to network and liaise with an estimated 40 key gaming industry members of Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003 Page 7.
2003	As part of celebrations marking the 100 th anniversary of the Sacred Heart Cathedral, a special Mass was held in April for people who were baptised in the Cathedral.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.06.2003, p8
2003	Bishop Michael Putney presided at two celebrations of the Mass of the Chrism this year; the first on Monday 7 th April at the Sacred Heart Parish Church in Hughenden and the second on Tuesday 8 th April at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 8
2003	Centacare Catholic Family Services received a Federal Government grant, which would end on June 30, from the Department of Family and Community Services and the Attorney- General's Office as part of drought relief funding. Centacare client services manager, Helen Kemp, said that qualified counsellors would target the Bowen, Ingham and Townsville areas which had been hard hit by drought.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 4 19.06.2003, page 6.
2003	The St. Vinnies Tutoring program spread its wings from the mainland to Palm Island. Two university students (Miss Caroline and Mr Chris) from the Townsville Diocese recently volunteered their time for one week to assist children at St. Michael's School. St. Anthony's Church on Palm Island was refurbished with some assistance from workers in the Community Justice Program. On 13.04.2003, Bishop Putney travelled to Palm Island to celebrate Palm Sunday, a feast very special to the residents of the island. During the ceremonies, the Bishop commissioned the newly elected Palm Island Parish Council and blessed a new altar, crafted by local residents. The altar front was painted by Palm Island artist Jimmy Wilson.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003 page 7.
2003	Easter Sunday 20.04.2003.	Diary 2003.
2003	Good Samaritan Sister Therese Fleming won two highly coveted blue ribbons for her Australian terriers at the prestigious Royal Easter Show in Sydney. As the Rural Mission co-ordinator, Sr. Therese was based in Charters Towers,	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, pages 1 & 2
2003	29 th April to 27 th June – School Term 2.	Diary 2003.
2003	On Monday night, 05.05.2003, the 92 year old St. Mary's Church in Bowen was gutted by fire following an arson attack. A 20 year old Bowen man was apprehended by police and charged with arson. The old building had to be completely demolished to make way for a new church. (The new church opened on 24.02.2006).	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps.</i> 19.06.2003 p.2 18.09.2003 p.6 19.02.2004, 25.11.2004,

2003	Two Townsville teachers, Angela Lone from Holy Spirit School and Paula Higgins from Southern Cross Catholic School wrote and recorded a song called “Peace All Around” and were planning to record another nine songs.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.06.2003, page 5
2003	The St. Vincent de Paul Society Townsville Diocesan Council elected Mrs. Losa Guise as their new president. Losa was also president of St. Mary’s Conference in West End, and Townsville Diocesan Overseas Development Committee representative and the Townsville Diocesan Migrant and Refugees Committee representative on the State Committees for these two areas.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, Page 6.
2003	During May, Bishop Michael Putney conducted a commissioning ceremony to welcome a new Committee of Elders of the Townsville Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Council at St. Theresa’s Church in Garbutt. The committee members were Mary Twaddle (chairwoman), Lillian Willis (deputy chairwoman), Kathy Illan (secretary), Chrissie Prior (treasurer), Nerida Lampton, Gloria Sailor, Dawn Bobongie, Jeff Bolt, Gladys Sailor and Carl Benn.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, Page 7.
2003	First year teachers in the Diocese of Townsville had the opportunity to meet others in the same boat recently. The 30 teachers from schools throughout the Diocese came together during the annual Beginning Teachers Conference in Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.06.2003, page 5
2003	A morning tea was held at Centacare Catholic Family Services to celebrate Family Week	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supps.</i> 19.06.2003, page 6
2003	A Year 7 student at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Ingham embarked on a project to document stories surrounding the Sisters of Mercy presence at the school. Martine Zaghini, as part of her role as the school historian, with help from her mother Louise, was producing the booklet to celebrate 125 years of the Sisters of Mercy in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003. Page 8.
2003	The Diocesan Pastoral Council (suspended in August 1994) was re-constituted and held its first meeting on 23/24 May 2003 with the Bishop’s Advisory Council acting as the executive body. More than 110 delegates from parishes converged on the twin cities for the two day meeting.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supps.</i> 26.09.2002, 19.06 2003, page 3
2003	Three Sisters of Mercy celebrated milestones of service to Catholic education. Combined, they had 170 years’ experience teaching North Queensland’s young students. Sisters Mary Stephen Thomson (formerly Sr. Stevens) and Christina Dwyer celebrated a diamond jubilee while Sr. Margery Daly (formerly Sr. Barbara) celebrated her golden jubilee.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, page 3. Photo included.
2003	On June 27 and 28, the Townsville Diocese hosted a tent gathering of all teachers from Catholic schools in the Diocese at St. Patrick’s College and St. Joseph’s School at the Strand. The event titled “Show Your True Colours” provided an opportunity for sharing ideas, collecting information, networking and social interaction between teachers, school staff, parish members and the community. Keynote speakers were Sallyanne Atkinson, Fr. Frank Brennan and Fr. Elio Capra.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.03.2003, page 7 19.06.2003, pages 5 & 6
2003	June marked 50 years since the Ingham based Fr. Tam Ferlazzo was ordained a priest. To celebrate his Golden Jubilee, he planned a series of special masses at various parishes in North Queensland. (His diocesan celebration took place on Wednesday 06.08.2003)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, page 3
2003	On 02.07.2003, the former St. Joseph’s Church, Bambaroo, in the Ingham Parish was sold.	<i>Circular to Priests and</i>

		<i>Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	Fr. Paul Fitzgerald OFM came through his surgery for bowel cancer very well and began his chemotherapy. Fr. Glenn Humphreys stepped in to take over Fr. Paul's work with the Tokelauan community, especially the monthly Mass.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	On 10.07.2003, the Christian Outreach Centre at 28 Morindo Drive was purchased for a proposed Child Care Centre.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	Losa Guise became Diocesan President of the St Vincent de Paul Society and Warren Northey became Regional President. Fr. Jose Koyickal CM became spiritual adviser to the Society's Diocesan Council and Fr. Glen Humphreys to the Regional Council.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Bishop's Advisory Council Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	15 th July to 19 th September – School Term 3.	Diary 2003.
2003	During July, Fr. Tony Stott OFM was relieved from duty in Bowen because of illness. He was due to return to the Parish of Bowen for the weekend of 23/24 August. Fr. Leo Pascoe replaced him for the month of July.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	Bishop Putney appointed Sandra Lindsay (Ruddy Tomlins & Baxter) and Linda Leong (McDonald Leong Lawyers) to the Diocesan Finance & Property Council and Zilla Lyons (Catholic Superannuation & Retirement Fund) to the Diocesan Fund.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	This year, the Sisters of Mercy celebrated 125 years of working for the North Queensland community. On 19.07.2003, a liturgical celebration of thanksgiving was held at St. Patrick's Church, in Ingham. On 24.09.2003, the Feast of Our Lady of Mercy, a special Eucharist was celebrated in the Sisters Chapel on the Strand. On 03.10.2003, during celebrations at the Mater Hospital, new accommodation centres and theatres were named and a book covering the history of the Mater Hospital was launched. On October 3-5, a Catherine McAuley seminar was presented by Sr. Mary C. Sullivan. On 04.10.2003, a celebration Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated at St. Joseph's on the Strand in Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps. 20.03.2003, p 5&6 18.09.2003, page 4 Herbert River Express, 15.07.2003 page 9. Townsville Bulletin, 04.10.2003, page 3.</i>
2003	On 29.07.2003, Fr. Alan Sheldrick was inducted as Police Chaplain for the Burdekin district. He joined Fr. Mick Lowcock (Mt. Isa) and Fr. Dave Lancini (Kirwan) in this very important role.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	Fr. Rod Cameron OSA was in the diocese for a month giving talks and working with the people on Palm Island and St. Teresa's, Garbutt.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	On 31.07.2003 Fr. Peter Green S.J. turned 85. During July, Fr. Peter underwent an operation to receive a pacemaker. On recovery, he retired to Sydney to be cared for by his order. Fr. Peter came to Townsville in 1981.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 18.09.2003, page 1</i>
2003	Townsville Mater Hospital - Blessing and Opening of the new Surgical Admission Unit. Alterations to	<i>Mater Health Services</i>

	Level 1 to provide space for new Pelvic Health Unit (Prof. A. J. Rane). New Medical Suite and Allied Health Rooms (Reach Rehabilitations, Sports Med Physiotherapy) resulted from the refurbishment of old Intensive Care and later Cardiac Rehabilitation Unit. Medical Offices with space for a total of 28 doctors.	<i>North Queensland, Developments</i>
2003	On 02.08.2003, a special Mass was celebrated at St. Patrick's Church in Ingham to mark the 50 th anniversary of Fr. Tam Felazzo's ordination to the priesthood. The Mass was followed by a barbecue to which all parishioners were invited.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 19.06.2003.</i>
2003	Fr. Alan Sheldrick was away from Ayr from 04.08.2003 to 08.11.2003. During his leave he participated in the Aussie Sabbatical in Toowoomba from 21.09.2003 to 31.10.2003. In his absence, Ayr was serviced by three Redemptorists – Brian Quillinan (Jim's brother) from the weekend 9/10 August to the weekend 13/14 September; Neil Dwyer from the weekend 20/21 September to 11/12 October; Bill Goldman from 18/19 October to the weekend of ½ November.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Bishop's Advisory Council Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	On Wednesday 06.08.2003, the diocese celebrated Fr. Tam Ferlazzo's golden jubilee and Fr. John Hay's silver jubilee. Fr. John suffered from cancer but continued to manage his chaplaincy role at Villa Vincent.	<i>Circular to Priests and P/Leaders, 30.07.2003</i>
2003	Couples who were married in the Sacred Heart Cathedral were invited to a special Mass to help celebrate the building's 100 th anniversary. The Mass was celebrated on 09.08.2003.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 19.06.2003, page 8</i>
2003	Two members of the Jesuit Vocation Team spent a week in Townsville preaching at weekend masses as well as visiting a number of local schools. They were Fr. Jeremy Clark and Fr. Edward Dooley.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 2</i>
2003	Five Townsville people attended a meeting of Diocesan Commissions for Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations in Melbourne with Cardinal Kaspar from the Vatican. They were Bishop Michael Putney, Jim Quillinan, Len and Lyn Horner and Joan Neal.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 18.09.2003. Photo incl.</i>
2003	Gilroy Santa Maria College in Ingham performed the rock musical "Godspell" to packed audiences this year.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 18.09.2003, page 6</i>
2003	Centacare Employment Mount Isa won the North Queensland Training Award for Small Employer of the Year.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 18.09.2003, page 3</i>
2003	Centacare Employment Townsville began offering a free recruitment service from its new office on Ingham Road.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 18.09.2003, page 7</i>
2003	From 11 th to 14 th August, Bishop Michael Putney visited Cloncurry. From Sunday evening 24 th until Thursday morning 28 th August, Bishop Putney hosted all the Bishops of Queensland at Lucinda for their annual informal meeting, accommodation courtesy of some Ingham parishioners. The bishops also made a trip to Orpheus Island where they took in a spot of whale watching.	<i>Circular to Priests and P/Leaders, 30.07.2003 Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 18.09.2003</i>
2003	On 28.08.2003, Archbishop John Bathersby, co-chair of the International Anglican-Roman Catholic Working Group, delivered a lecture in the Mater Conference Room in Townsville, hosted by both churches. His address was titled "The Future of Anglican-Roman Catholic Relations from Malta to Mississauga".	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 18.09.2003, page 2</i>
2003	On 29.08.2003, Mrs. Nicky Kitson retired from her position as Bishop's Secretary. Nicky had been secretary to Bishop Raymond Benjamin from 1987 and on his retirement in 2000, to Bishop Michael Putney. Nicky and her husband Fred planned to move to Melbourne in November. Mrs. Joan Kennedy from the Mundingburra Parish replaced Nicky as the Bishop's Secretary. Joan was previously a legal secretary with the firm of Roberts, Nehmer and McKee.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Bishop's Advisory Council Dated 30.07.2003</i>

2003	The Townsville Catholic Education Office launched its new student protection manual called “ <i>Student Protection – Creating Student Safety in Communities of Care</i> ” to coincide with National Child Protection Week.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.09.2003 page 8
2003	F. Noel Bianco, congregational leader of the Missionaries of St. Paul in Australia, visited the Townsville Diocese for a week during September to meet with Bishop Putney and Fr. Francis Ferriggi (serving in Ingham) to explore possible further ways to assist the Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, page 6
2003	Three Sisters of Mercy returned to Ingham to celebrate milestones of service to Catholic education. Sisters Mary Stephen Thomson and Christina Dwyer celebrated a diamond jubilee while Sr. Margery celebrated her diamond jubilee. Sr. Stephen was born in Ingham and spent more than 20 years serving in the Ingham district, including time as Religious Education Co-ordinator at Ingham State School. Sr. Christina taught at Santa Maria College and Cardinal Gilroy College, which have since combined to form Gilroy Santa Maria College. Sister still helps at the St. Patrick’s College Library. Sr. Margery taught at Santa Maria College through the 1960’s and was still involved as a part time teacher at St. Patrick’s College. Many secondary students would remember her as Sr. Barbara.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, page 3 <i>Herbert River Express</i> , 17.07.2003 Page 5.
2003	Fr. Terry Lyons left on his Sabbatical from 15.09.2003 to 02.04.2004. In his absence, Fr. Michael Lowcock again took up the role of Acting Vicar General. While Fr. Terry was away, Holy Spirit Parish was looked after for the first two weeks by Fr. Franco Filipetto from Brisbane for the last half of September, and then by Fr. Walter McNamara CSSp (Congregation of the Holy Spirit) from October to December and Fr. Mick Cantwell MSC from January to March 2004.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Bishop’s Advisory Council Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	On 15.09.2003, Fr. Ed Stewart, priest in residence at Holy Family Parish, Gulliver, Townsville, took leave to join the Holy Spirit of Freedom Community in Perth/Bunbury, W/A. He returned on 15.12.2003. Fr. Alfonso Grageda filled in for Fr. Ed during these three months after completing a month’s supply at Wulguru.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Bishop’s Advisory Council Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	On 18.09.2003, Fr. Richard McAlear celebrated a Healing Mass at the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville.	<i>Archives Ref. 886/4</i>
2003	On 21.09.2003, as part of the City of Townsville Centenary Celebrations, a Blessing Over the City was conducted during Combined Churches Celebrations held at St. James Anglican Cathedral.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010, page 130</i>
2003	On 28.09.2003, the annual Social Justice Statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Conference was made public. It was titled “ <i>A Generous Heart in the Love of Christ: Challenging Racism Today</i> ”.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.06.2003, page 2
2003	Centacare is the leading Critical Incident Stress Management provider in this region, working closely with SES and police. Fourteen full time employees at Townsville Centacare were trained in CISM work. The ACCESS program is available in emergencies for support, information or critical incident stress management at an employer’s request.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.12.2003, page 7
2003	On 03.10.2003, at the Mater Education Centre, the Sisters of Mercy launched their book, “ <i>Mater Misericordiae: A History of the Mater Hospital Townsville 1945 – 2000</i> ”.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> , 05.03.2001, page 6.

	The book was researched by Sr. Gretta McCourt and written by Sr. Cheryl Camp.	18.09.2003, page 5.
2003	A recent worldwide phenomenon among religious congregations was the emergence of the “Associate Movement”. The Townsville Sisters of Mercy had associates in Collinsville, Bowen, Home Hill, Winton and Townsville.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.12.2003, page 5
2003	6 th October to 12 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2003.
2003	On Wednesday 8 th October, Bishop Michael Putney travelled to the tiny outback town of Boulia, about 300 km south of Mt. Isa to confirm five of the shire’s 250 people into the Catholic faith. The three boys and two girls attended the Boulia State School. While in the parish, Bishop Putney also paid his first visit to Camooweal.	<i>Catholic Leader</i> , 02.11.2003 Page 18
2003	A new Administration Block was built at Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School in Ingham and named after long serving principal, Sr. Nina Barra. Bishop Michael officially opened the building on 15 October 2003.	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2003	On Thursday 16.10.2003, a special Mass was celebrated in the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Townsville to mark the 25 th year of the pontificate of Pope John Paul II.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	The incentive prize for the Annual Bishop’s Appeal was won by Mrs. Kath Gedling of Mundingburra. The prize donated by Harvey World Travel was \$500.00 QANTAS travel.	<i>Circular to Priests and Pastoral Leaders Dated 30.07.2003</i>
2003	St. Patrick’s Church in Ravenswood was the venue for a celebration of 125 years of the Sisters of Mercy presence in Queensland and their service in Ravenswood. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Brooks Patterson from Charters Towers.	<i>Northern Miner</i> , Friday 17.10.2003, Page 9.
2003	On 22.10.2003, Bishop Michael Putney left Townsville to attend a meeting of the Methodist / Catholic Dialogue in York, England. He was due back in the Diocese on 08.11.2003.	<i>Bishop’s Memorandum dated 20 10.2003</i>
2003	The staff at Gethsemane began preparing the course program for 2004. The most popular course “Attitudinal Healing”, would head the list of the various courses to be offered throughout the year.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.12.2003, page 6
2003	The St. Vincent de Paul Society established a Hospital Conference in Townsville.	<i>“A Century Not Out” St. V. de Paul Soc. leaflet.</i>
2003	As a Catholic Education Week enterprise, Holy Spirit School in Townsville rebuilt its assembly shed stage and invited the Sisters of Mercy, former teachers and parents to the school, to rename the stage area “Mercy Place.” More than 1000 years of teaching experience gathered at Holy Spirit School to celebrate the strong bond between the school and the Sisters of Mercy.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> , Thursday 11.12.2003 Page 5
2003	Three Catholic schools in the Townsville Diocese were to have new principals next year. After a five year stint as principal at St. Michael’s School, Palm Island , Sr. Marion Kingston F.M.M. was now to spend two years tutoring young women at Aitape in New Guinea. Sr. Nina Barra R.S.M. had spent the last 15 years as Principal at Our Lady of Lourdes School in Ingham . Sr. Ellen Randle S.G.S. had worked at St. Francis’ School in Hughenden for almost 10 years. They were both moving to new roles. It was expected that lay principals would be appointed to the schools for the first time in 2004.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.06.2003, page 5 11.12.2003, page 7

2003	In honour of Sr. Nina Barra's 17 years dedication to Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School in Ingham, a celebration was held on Saturday 22 November at the Shire Hall.	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2003	In November, Holy Spirit School Principal and environmentalist Paul Lucas was installed on the Catholic Earthcare Australia (CEA) Advisory Council.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 26.09.2002 Supp. 11.12.2003, page 4</i>
2003	During November, Centacare celebrated its end of year Mass at St. Mary's West End in Townsville. The Mass was concelebrated by Bishop Michael Putney and Centacare Chaplain Fr. Giles Setter.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 8</i>
2003	On 01.12.2003, the Confraternity of the Holy Spirit was established in Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook. This was a recognised association of the faithful dedicated to promoting devotion to the Holy Spirit and supporting the works of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 130</i>
2003	Mt. Isa Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Council worker Colleen Muckan was named Mt. Isan of the Year at the Mt. Isa Day celebrations.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 7</i>
2003	With 51 years of experience within the congregation of the Sisters of Mercy, Sr. Marie Leonie Williams was acting as a facilitator for the Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Council in Charters Towers as well as being part of the Western Ministry Retreat Team.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 11.12.2003, page 5</i>
2003	Sr. Marie Geddes was moving to New Guinea as the new deputy principal at Yaparos Mercy Girls High School near Wewak.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 7</i>
2003	Sister of Mercy Ros Carr was completing postgraduate studies in a Clinical Masters program and was working in the James Cook University psychology clinic.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 5</i>
2003	Br. Mick Talty and Sr. Anne O'Loughlin left Mt. Isa. They were the last Religious at Mt. Isa Catholic College.	<i>Good Shepherd Parish Calender 2005</i>
2003	As co-chairman of the International Methodist-Roman Catholic Dialogue, Bishop Michael Putney travelled to England for a meeting of the dialogue.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp. 11.12.2003, page 4</i>
2003	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Diocesan appointments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Indian born Vincentian Priest Fr. Jose Koyical currently in the Cloncurry parish was appointed to the Whitsunday parish based in Proserpine. 2. Fr. Francis Feriggi currently in Ingham was appointed to the Cloncurry parish. 3. Sr. Mary Lowcock was appointed the diocesan director of Catholic Mission Australia for the archdiocese of Brisbane. <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Catholic Education Appointments</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Ernie Christie, former principal at Ryan Catholic College, was appointed assistant director Religious education and Curriculum at the Catholic Education Office. 5. Andrea O'Brien, former principal at St. Margaret Mary's College, was appointed new principal at Ryan Catholic College. 4. Peter Griffin was appointed principal at St. Margaret Mary's College. 5. Gary McClelland was appointed as principal of St. Michael's Palm Island. 6. Luke Brown was appointed as the first lay principal of Our Lady of Lourdes Ingham. 	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 11.12.2003 Page 2</i>

	<p>7. Brian Geaney was appointed as principal of St. Keiran's Mount Isa.</p> <p>8. Kath Tartellin was appointed as principal of St. Francis.</p>	
2003	<p><u>Religious men and women who finished pastoral ministry in the diocese in 2003:-</u></p> <p>Sr. Marion Kingston F.M.M. (Palm Island); Sr. Ellen Randle S.M.S. (Hughenden) Sr. Anne O'Loughlin (Mt. Isa); Sr. Bev Caffery S.M.S. (Hughenden) Br. Mick Talty (Mt. Isa); Sr. Carmel Bambridge (St. Raphael's College)</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 11.12.2003</i></p>
2003	<p>Ill health forced Fr. Brooks Patterson to retire from his position of parish priest at Charters Towers. He was then appointed as priest in residence at Mundingburra Parish and lived at the Bishop's House.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 20.05.2005. p9</i></p>
3003	<p>Fr. Leo Hill MSC arrived in Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, just prior to New Year and remained until the end of January.</p>	<p><i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 131</i></p>
2003	<p><u>Ignatius Park College – 2003</u></p> <p>Mr. Michael Conn became the first lay Principal of IPC. He succeeded his twin brother, Br. Paul Conn, (1998 – 2002).</p> <p>The Learning Extension Achievement Program was introduced as an elective in Years 9 and 10.</p> <p>Art students had great success with Luke Matthews winning the Columbian Art Awards for Religious Art for Queensland in his age group. His artwork was exhibited at the Catholic University in Melbourne. Aaron Clapham won a first place for his age group in the Perc Tucker Young Artist Awards.</p> <p>James Anderson and Justin were selected in the Queensland schoolboys Rugby League Open side. James went on to gain selection in the Australian Schoolboys side. A first for an IPC student.</p> <p>The under 15 Touch side were World All School Champions at a carnival in Brisbane. Gian Guerra (Opens), Aiden Guerra and Angelbert Yagi (Under 15s) were selected in Queensland squads.</p> <p>Michael Buchanan represented Australia in swimming.</p> <p>The P & F donated Iggy Park's first racing boat for Rowing – a racing quad / four.</p> <p>This year's production was The Wiz, a modern adaptation of the classic The Wizard of Oz.</p> <p>The 15th Regional Cadet Unit celebrated its 60th Anniversary. It was formed in 1943 at Our Lady's Mount and was originally operated by the Christian Brothers.</p> <p>385 blood donations were made in 4 visits by the Red Cross Donormobile.</p>	<p><i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009, Page 77.</i></p>

2004	In January, Fr. Michael Taylor, former parish priest in Proserpine, took up duties as the new chaplain at Townsville's Lavarack Barracks. He replaced Chaplain Stan Skibicki and would work alongside Fr. Peter Quilty who would continue in his role as part time chaplain at Lavarack Barracks.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 11.12.2003, page 1
2004	In January, Fr Francis Ferriggi MSSP will leave Ingham and is appointed to the parishes of Cloncurry and Julia Creek. He is replacing Fr Jose Koyickal who is appointed to the Whitsunday Catholic Parish.	<i>Bishop's Memorandum dated 20.10.2003</i>
2004	Br. Brian Cumming CFC was transferred from Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, to Mount Isa	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 131</i>
2004	Retired Bishop Raymond Benjamin, the fourth Bishop of Townsville, was awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Letters by the James Cook University of North Queensland at a recent graduation ceremony at the Townsville Entertainment Centre.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2004.
2004	St. Margaret Mary's College welcomed Mr. Peter Griffin as its new principal. Former principal, Andrea O'Brien, transferred to Ryan Catholic College. Mr. Griffin's last position was deputy principal at Catholic College Bendigo.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 5
2004	The Sisters of Mercy gathered at St. Patrick's Convent on the Strand to celebrate Sr. Wendy Piggott's silver jubilee in the religious profession. Sr. Wendy was presently an administration officer at the Mater Hospital.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 6
2004	A new initiative for young people in the Townsville / Thuringowa area was the implementation of the St. Vincent de Paul "Buddies" program which provided opportunities for children to have a safe and enjoyable day out, away from the routines and influences of their home situation.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.02.2004, page 7
2004	January's Edmund Rice Camp was held on the mountain at Paluma, with pre-camp training for volunteers at Ignatius Park College. "Edmund Rice Camps (ERC) Townsville" is a program designed to give children aged between 7 and 11 or from socially disadvantaged backgrounds, a fun experience.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.02.2004, page 8
2004	Mt. Isa priest Fr. Mick Lowcock was a popular choice as the Citizen of the Year in his Shire during the Australia Day celebrations in Mount Isa.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 5
2004	Sr. Nina Barra RSM, who had spent the last 15 years as principal of Our Lady of Lourdes School in Ingham was presented the Shire Citizen Award for Hinchinbrook during their Australia Day celebrations.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 5
2004	27 th January to 8 th April – School Term 1.	Diary 2004.
2004	St Anthony's School in Deeragun became the first Catholic School in the Townsville Diocese to join the Preparatory Year Trial. Preschool would cease at the end of 2006 and the Prep Year commence throughout Queensland primary schools in 2007.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 31.10.2004, page 18 20.05.2005, page 4 25.11.2005, page 2 16.02.2006, page 4
2004	On Friday 6 th February, Chaplain Shaun Brown accompanied a group of Marines and Sailors from MAG-12, MWSS-171 and VMGR-152 on a visit to the staff and residents of the Cleveland Youth Detention Centre in Townsville. The visitors were participating in "Southern Frontier" at the RAAF Base at this time.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.02.2004, page 7

2004	To complement and support the prep year trial (now in its second year) the Catholic Education Office appointed an Early Years Education project officer, Gail Woodward, who had experience working at Education Queensland, TAFE and James Cook University.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements, 19.02.2004, 20.05.2005, p4</i>
2004	Mount Isa Catholic College offered year 11 classes for the first time. This enabled students to continue their senior schooling at a Catholic school.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 19.02.2004.</i>
2004	A catechist was appointed to add leadership and structure to the growing Townsville Tokelaun community which now numbered 90 people. In their new role, Tovia Kelemete and his wife Elena invited Tokelaun Catholic administrator Monsignor Pat O'Connor to Townsville where he met with Bishop Putney and spent time with Tovia and Elena.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 19.02.2004, pages 1 & 2 Photo included.</i>
2004	On 24 th February, the Project Compassion – 2004 - Appeal was launched at the Marian School, in Currajong, Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp. 19.02.2004, p. 2 & 3</i>
2004	The Townsville Catholic Education Office and the Department of Employment and Workplace Relations (DEWR) joined forces to support indigenous students in their final years of schooling. Through the Structured Training and Employment Project (STEP) more than 170 Year 11 and 12 students were provided with mentoring, pre-vocational training and support as they made their way to employment.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp. 19.02.2004, page 4 T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp. 17.02.2005, page 5</i>
2004	On the World Day of Prayer for the Sick, a group of hospital visitors from the Ingham, Ayr and Holy Spirit parishes met for a day of training. The facilitator was Margaret Trevethan and the guest speaker was Pam Barlow, who had a nursing and palliative care background.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 19.02.2004, page 8</i>
2004	The Townsville Committee of the (Women's) World Day of Prayer elected Mrs. Mary Casey of St. Mary's Parish, West End, as their new President. This ecumenical committee arranges the annual World Day of Prayer in March each year.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 20.05.2004.</i>
2004	A group of Sisters of the Good Samaritan celebrated 50 years serving the church at a reunion early in 2004. Eight of the sisters had connections with the Townsville Diocese. <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Sr. Bernice McDonnell (Germaine), born in Ayr and educated at St. Francis Xavier Primary School and College. Served on the staff of St. Francis School in 1968 and worked in the fields of Pastoral Care and Secretarial assistance at Ryan Catholic Community School from 1991 to 1996. 2. Sr. Marie McMahan (Evangelist), served at St. Margaret Mary's Primary School during 1963 and 64. 3. Sr. Kathleen Duckworth (Marie Pierre), born in Townsville and completed her secondary education at St. Mary's, Charters Towers. She served at St. Margaret Mary's from 1966 to 1975, the last four of which, she was the Principal. 4. Sr. Patricia Dillon (Campion), taught at St. Francis Xavier Primary School, Ayr in 1962 and 1963 and at St. Mary's Charters Towers from 1969 to 1973. She was Principal there after the death of Sr. Ambrose (in September 1987). 5. Sr. Margaret Lyons was educated at St. Columba's and St. Mary's Charters Towers. 6. Sr. Therese Duffy (Marie Julie) taught at St. Margaret Mary's Primary School from 1955 to 1959. 	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 20.05.2004. Photo included.</i>

	<p>7. Sr. Marie Jones was transferred to St. Margaret Mary's College in January 1984.</p> <p>8. Sr. Margaret Mahon (Sylvester), born in Charters Towers. She taught music at St. Margaret Mary's after which she spent 12 years ministering in the Ayr and Charters Towers Parishes.</p> <p>9. Sr. Catherine McCahill (Silver Jubilarian) was baptised at St. Brigid's Church, Stuart and was educated at St. Margaret Mary's Primary School and College.</p> <p>10. Sr. Marella Rebgetz came from "Cornelia", a cattle property outside Pentland. She was taught her primary schooling by correspondence and then boarded at St. Mary's College in Charters Towers for her secondary education.</p>	
2004	Rachael Grahl, 29, was appointed part time "Project Officer – Ministry" in the Townsville Diocese with the particular focus on celebrating World Youth Day 2004.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2004.
2004	<p>Twenty three year old Ms Fran Byrne was appointed as the new Youth and School Ministries Co-ordinator for the St. Vincent de Paul Society.</p> <p>Students from primary and secondary schools throughout the diocese became involved in St Vinnies' Crazy Dress Days, annual appeals and visits to the elderly at the Villa Vincent nursing home. More than 25 people were involved in the Buddies Day Program which happened on the second Saturday of each month.</p>	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2004 & 19.08.2004. Photo included.
2004	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Postings and Appointments:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Fr. Michael Lowcock will be Vicar General. Fr. Felix Barela from the Diocese of Caceres in the Philippines obtained a temporary work visa for several years and would be appointed to a parish after a settling in period. He has just finished a Masters in Educational Leadership at the Australian Catholic University, Brisbane. Fr. Jim Maloney CM was appointed to join the Vincentian community in North Queensland. He was based in Proserpine to assist in the Whitsunday Parish. Fr. Matt Donnelly was appointed as Chaplain at Lavarack Barracks. Fr. Michael Taylor (Whitsunday Parish) left the Diocese to be incardinated into the Military Vicariate and posted to Lavarack Barracks. Fr. Jose Koyical CM, from Cloncurry Parish replaced Fr. Taylor in the Whitsunday Parish. Fr. Francis Feriggi, MSSP, was appointed administrator of St. Colman's Parish in Cloncurry. He had been assistant priest in the Ingham parish for two years. Fr. Brooks Patterson, Parish Priest at St. Columba's Parish in Charters Towers was transferred to Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish in Mundingburra as priest assisting in the parish. Fr. Glen Humphreys CM, formerly in Mundingburra, was appointed as Administrator of St. Mark's, Cleveland Bay Parish which includes Magnetic Island. Fr. Denis Moroney was appointed as priest assisting at Holy Family Parish in Gulliver. He was to continue his duties as Chaplain to the Townsville Hospital. Fr. Ed Stewart was transferred from Gulliver to St. Columba's in Charters Towers. Fr. John Holyoak, Unit 7 &, Wellington Park, 131 Ross River Road, Mundingburra. 	<p>+<i>Michael Putney's Memo to all Priest, Pastoral Leaders and Bishop's Advisory Council Dated 02 03 2004</i></p> <p><i>Archives Ref. 871/2</i></p> <p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 20.05.2004.</p> <p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 20.05.2005, page 9.</p>
2004	Thirty six young Aboriginal trainees commenced a cattle drive from Julia Creek to Longreach to gain practical skills and a change from their former lifestyles. Fr. Mick Lowcock and members of the Good	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> ,

	Shepherd Mt. Isa Parish were overseeing the welfare and spiritual needs of the trainees.	20.05.2004.
2004	Sister Christina McGlynn arrived on Palm Island to work with the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary. Her previous appointment was a two year term in a Kenyan refugee camp.	<i>T'ville Bulletin- Catholic News Supp.</i> 20.05.2004.
2004	Bishop Putney appointed an Adult Faith Education Committee to co-ordinate formation opportunities by various organisations in the Diocese and to investigate the reintroduction of an annual Winter School intensive week long seminar with visiting speakers.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> 20.05.2004.
2004	On 7 th March, the annual World Day of Prayer Ecumenical Service was held at Holy Trinity Church, in Mundingburra.	<i>T'ville Bull – Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004 page 2.
2004	On 12.03.2004, the Blessed Mary MacKillop Centre in Mundingburra was extensively damaged by fire. Before repairs could be carried out, another fire on 18.06.2004, believed to be the result of arson, rendered the building irreparable. The wreckage was demolished on Tuesday 27.07.2004 and the site was cleared.	<i>Cath. Leader,</i> 4.4.2004 p17 <i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, page 5
2004	During March, Bishop Michael Putney made his first Ad Limina visit to Rome as the Bishop of Townsville to meet with Pope John Paul II.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 2
2004	Pope John II appointed Bishop Michael Putney as a member of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath News Supplement,</i> 16.09.2010
2004	On 17.03.2004, St. Patrick's Day, St. Patrick's Church in Brandon closed its doors for the last time. The altar and all the other church fittings were sent to the new Cannonvale Church in the Whitsunday parish.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2004.
2004	Sr. Ursula O'Rourke SGS conducted public workshops on Baptism for parish teams. Townsville session on 1 st April and twilight workshop in Ayr on 2 nd April.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 2
2004	Easter Sunday 11.04.2004.	Diary 2004.
2004	Work commenced in April on the first stage of the new development at St. Anthony's Catholic High School at Deeragun, Townsville. The college would take its first group of Year 8 students at the start of the 2005 school year.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 4 20.05.2004 & 17.02.2005.
2004	At a Western Region meeting in April 2004, an idea for a Western Centre for Spirituality in Richmond was launched. As a result, Mary MacKillop House was opened in 2006.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, p6
2004	19 th April to 25 th June – School Term 2.	Diary 2004.
2004	On Friday 07.05.2004, Ryan Catholic College in Townsville held a mini-fete and sports carnival to celebrate its 25 th anniversary. Ryan was now Queensland's largest Catholic College with 1900 students and staff.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2004.
2004	On Sunday 09.05.2004, the Apostolic Nuncio Most Reverend Ambrose De Paoli visited Ingham for the Italian Festival.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004, page 2
2004	On 11 th May, a Beef Drive commenced at Julia Creek. It was organised by Centacare Employment, Mt. Isa, as a member of the Lower Gulf Indigenous Beef Alliance. The drive arrived at Longreach on 23 rd June 2004.	Good Shepherd Parish 2005 Calendar
2004	On 19.05.2004, death of Fr. Kevin Joseph Hay (known as John), aged 78 years, in Townsville. Born on	<i>Funeral Liturgy Booklet</i>

	19.06.1925. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Row 2, Grave No. 21	
2004	On May 21-22, the Diocesan Pastoral Council met at the Townsville Plaza Hotel.	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004 p.2
2004	In May, Mrs. Helen Lucas was appointed to the position of Diocesan Archivist after eight years as Honorary Archivist. At this time the Catholic Education Office was established by the Director, Mike Byrne, under the care of the Diocesan Archivist.	<i>T'ville Catholic Diocesan Archive, 1986 – 2016, 30th Anniversary Leaflet</i>
2004	A National Day of Thanksgiving to be celebrated on the last Saturday in May was launched in 2004 by the Australian Prayer Network, with the support of Prime Ministers, Governor-Generals and Opposition leaders, national prayer and ministry organisations and church leaders.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Diocese of Townsville, Term 2, 2013, page 4.</i>
2004	In 2004, Bishop Michael Putney, the fifth bishop of Townsville, was appointed to the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity by Pope John Paul II. (Photo in TB-CNS 17.12.2009)	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 16.09.2010.
2004	Bishop Michael Putney convened a number of round table meetings to discuss the concerns of indigenous Catholics on Palm Island. The first meeting was held on June 4 th and representatives of the diocese journeyed to Palm Island to meet with some of the elders and representatives of the local community, as well as the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary and Palm Island moderator Fr. Mick Peters. (At a meeting on August 13 th these various agencies reported back to elders on action taken to date and to plan with them directions for the future).	<i>Catholic Leader</i> 22.08.2004 Page 17
2004	On 07.06.2004, a Vision Statement for the schools in Ayr was launched in the Burdekin Theatre with Bishop Michael Putney, hundreds of parents, students and parishioners in attendance.	<i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 48</i>
2004	In June, Lay Pastoral Leader, Kate Nesbitt, who had been based in Bowen for the past three years, was farewelled at a function attended by Bishop Putney and parishioners.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, p5
2004	Death of Fr. Michael (Micky) Mullins in the Townsville Mater Hospital, aged 87 years, on 16.06.2004. After a Funeral Mass in Holy Trinity Church, Mundingburra on 21.06.2004, Fr. Micky was buried in the Belgian Gardens Cemetery, Section L, Subdivision 3, Row 2, Grave no. 20	Townsville Catholic Archive records
2004	On 19.06.2004, a Spiritual Companion Graduation was held during the Eucharist at Good Shepherd Parish in Mt. Isa. Eleven people graduated from a Foundational Spiritual Formation Program in Spiritual Companionship which ran from 2000 to 2004.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement,</i> 19.08.2004, page 8.
2004	During the first half of 2004, renovations were carried in St. Patrick's Church, South Townsville, St. Francis' Presbytery and St Patrick's Centre. St Patrick's Centre was restored as a centre for functions, lectures, seminars and celebratory gatherings.	<i>Letter from Fr. Humphreys to + Putney, 05.07.2004 Archives Ref. 871/1</i>
2004	On 04.07 2004, the Mary MacKillop Childcare Centre built into the former Y.C.W. / C.W.L. "Shack" next to the Holy Trinity Church in Mundingburra, was blessed by Bishop M. Putney. The first Director of the Centre was Mrs. Wilma Grier. (The Centre was officially opened by Bishop Putney on 23.07.2004).	<i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supp.</i> 19.02.2004 p.5 19.08.2004, 25.11.2005 p.5
2004	Townsville's Catholic Aboriginal and Islander Community marked the start of NAIDOC Week with a Mass at the Sacred Heart Cathedral. (4 th to 11 th July)	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004
2004	Sr. Ellen Horgan retired from the Pastoral Care Team at Villa Vincent Home for the Aged in Townsville. OzCare Director of Villa Vincent, Kris Saywaker, said that Sr. Ellen had been replaced by Sr. Rose Pelleri	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, p.5

	who had settled into her new ministry with other Sisters of Mercy who continued to offer Pastoral Care at the OzCare facility.	27.03.2014, page 4
2004	A New Zealand priest's healing ministry attracted crowds when he toured North Queensland early in August. Marist Father John Rea travelled to Townsville, Palm Island and Ingham during his visit. He had been practicing healing for the past 25 years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.08.2004, page 8.
2004	12 th July to 17 th September – School Term 3.	Diary 2004.
2004	On Sunday 18.07.2004, Fr. Richard Leonard S.J. delivered a lecture at the Mater Conference Centre in Townsville on "Parish Life and Ministry". Fr. Richard was Director of the Australian Catholic Film Office and a lecturer at the United Faculty of Theology in Melbourne. While in Townsville, he also worked with the Catholic Education Office.	<i>Memo to al Parishes Dated 13.07.2004</i> <i>Archives Ref. 871/2</i>
2004	On Monday 19.07.2004, Health Minister Tony Abbott opened a new endoscopy unit at the Townsville Mater Hospital. CEO John Amery said the unit doubled the hospital's capacity to deal with patients undergoing a gastroscopy or colonoscopy.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> , 20.07.2004, Page 3.
2004	In July, Bishop Michael Putney conducted the first confirmation ever to be held on Hayman Island in the Whitsunday Parish. Ten year old Roberto Marcucci was confirmed and received his first communion. He was one of 13 children who attended the island's school.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.08.2004, page 8.
2004	Queensland Premier Peter Beattie wrote an open letter to the students, staff and parents of Abergowrie College congratulating them on the achievements of the school.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, p6
2004	On Sunday 25.07.2004, the parish of St. Mark's on Cleveland Bay celebrated the 50 th anniversary of the laying of the Foundation Stone for their new parish church of St. Francis Xavier in Railway Estate, Townsville. The original church was an old building transported from St. Joseph's School in North Ward, Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplement</i> 19.08.2004, page 5 Golden Jubilee booklet.
2004	Bishop Michael Putney blessed the new Canossa Home for the Aged in Trebonne, part of the Ingham Parish. The redeveloped hostel would accommodate 40 residents and also had a dementia unit. The original centre opened in 1967.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 19.08.2004, page 6.
2004	The St. Vincent de Paul Society established a Retired Members Conference in Townsville.	"A Century Not Out" St. V. de Paul Soc. leaflet.
2004	On Monday 10.02.2004, for the first time in a century, the doors of the Sacred Heart Cathedral were closed to permit work to begin on a \$3 million upgrade. In a ceremony at the cathedral, Bishop Putney ceremoniously closed the front doors of the historical building. (The Cathedral reopened on 23.06.2006) Army officers also returned a 100 year old bell which came from a tower at Townsville's first Catholic church, St. Joseph's on the Strand. The bell had been at All Saints Chapel, Lavarack Barracks for the past 20 years.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 23.02.2014, p. 21 <i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> , 20.03.2003, page 2 19.08.2004, 25.11.2004, page 6. 17.02.2005, page 4. 20.05.2005, page 1.
2004	On Saturday 08.05.2004, as part of Heritage Week 2004 celebrations in Townsville, with a theme of	<i>National Trust of</i>

	“Beacons of Faith”, historians Dorothy Gibson-Wilde and Helen Lucas guided at tour through the Sacred Heart Cathedral.	<i>Queensland circular Dated 23.04.2004</i>
2004	During August, at a reception in Townsville, the Catholic Bishops of Queensland declared the Great Barrier Reef sacred. Brisbane Archbishop John Bathersby launched a 26 page booklet entitled “Let the Many Coastlands be Glad”	<i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps. 19.06.2003, page 3 & 19.08.2004, page 3.</i>
2004	On 29.08.2004, Migrant and Refugee Sunday, Bishop Michael Putney celebrated the annual Multicultural Mass at St. Patrick’s Church in Allen Street, South Townsville. The theme for 2004 was “Building Our Future Together”.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 19.08.2004, p5</i>
2004	During August, Ignatius Park College hosted Dr. Peter Vardy of London University to address Year 11 and 12 students on the topic of ‘Ethics’.	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009, p.79.</i>
2004	Working bees from St. Brigid’s Parish in Richmond commenced renovating the former St. Joseph’s convent building. Plans were in motion to convert the building into a centre for spiritual renewal and faith development for the western region of the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2004, page 6,</i>
2004	In answer to an invitation from St. Michael’s School principal Gary McClelland, six St. Vincent de Paul Society youth members spent a week on Palm Island assisting indigenous students with their studies. This was the 2 nd trip of its kind in as many years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2004, page 6,</i>
2004	Bishop Michael Putney attended the Firth National Forum of the National Council of Churches in Australia which was held in Adelaide in October. During the forum, fifteen Australian churches signed a covenant reaffirming their commitment to one another as partners on the ecumenical journey.	<i>Bishop’s Memorandum dated 15.09.2004, page 5 T’ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 25.11.2004, page 8</i>
2004	On 13-14 September, the 3 rd State Indigenous Catholic Education Conference was held in Townsville.	<i>T’ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 19.08.2004, page 6</i>
2004	Indigenous leaders, community representatives and Catholic educators from across Australia gathered in Townsville from September 14 – 16 for the third Queensland Indigenous Catholic Education Conference. The conference was titled “Partners in Education”.	<i>T’ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 19.08.2004, page 6 Cath. Leader, 26.09.2004</i>
2004	In early September, Fr. Jim Kaptein, 44, arrived in the Townsville Diocese from a small Canadian wheat farming town on the prairies of the Saskatchewan province. He visited Ingham with Bishop Putney and celebrated the Eucharist in a number of Townsville parishes. In mid-September, he settled in as Administrator of St Mary’s Parish, Bowen, where he would stay until the beginning of August 2005. Fr. Jim was on 12 months sabbatical leave.	<i>Bishop’s Memorandum dated 15.09.2004, page 1 T’ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp. 25.11.2004, page 3 Cath. Leader 5.12.04 p.17</i>
2004	<u>Changes in Appointments of Priests an Religious</u> Fr. Ed Stewart was leaving Charters Towers soon to join the Holy Spirit of Freedom Community in Perth/Bunbury, WA. Fr. Felix Barela is appointed Administrator of Charters Towers until Christmas. Fr. Tony Stott OFM will be assisting Fr. Tam Ferlazzo in Ingham until Christmas. Fr. Leonard Rivere CM has been granted his visa and should arrive in the Diocese at the end of October. Fr. Alfonso Grageda will be looking after Home Hill and Wulguru in turn from 27.09.04 until 21.11.04. Fr. Michael Taylor left for Iraq with the Australian Defence Force on 28.08.2004.	<i>Bishop’s Memorandum dated 15.09.2004 pages 1 to 6</i>

	<p>Fr. Paul Fitzgerald OFM is continuing treatment in Brisbane.</p> <p>Sr. Irene Grieg SGS has been transferred from Ch. Towers to the Redcliffe Peninsula in Brisbane Diocese.</p> <p>Sr. Margaret Barry SGS has departed from Hughenden.</p> <p>Sr. Trisha Moore SGS will also be leaving Hughenden at the end of the year.</p> <p>Rod Ward will be installed in the ministry of Lector at Holy Spirit Seminary in Brisbane on 15.10.2004.</p> <p>He will have a December placement in a parish in the Townsville Diocese and then another academic year at St Paul's Theological College before undertaking a pastoral year somewhere in the Diocese in 2006.</p>	
2004	<p>On 17.09.2004, Bishop Michael Putney blessed and opened a new purpose built complex for Centacare Catholic Family Services on Ross River Road in Cranbrook, Townsville.</p> <p>The opening coincided with celebrations to mark 25 years of Centacare in the Townsville Diocese.</p> <p>The former Centacare building (the former St. Mary's School) on Ingham Road was closed.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements,</i> 19.02.2004, 19.08.2004, 19.03.2009 & 15.12.2011. <i>The Catholic Leader,</i> 31.10.2004.</p>
2004	<p>On 19.09.2004, a request was received from Padre Michael Taylor, a Diocesan priest who was serving as an Army Chaplain in Iraq. He requested "tons" of wrapped lollies for the soldiers who had nothing to give the local children. Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook forwarded to Australian Headquarters, Baghdad, Iraq, a shipment large enough to require the use of a forklift.</p>	<p><i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, Townsville, 1965-2010,</i> page 133</p>
2004	<p>On 22.09.2004, Fr. Maurizio Pettena from the Centre for Multicultural Care in Brisbane visited Townsville to discuss our pastoral care of the many cultural and ethnic groups in our Diocese.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, p6</p>
2004	<p>From September 24 to 26, twelve young people from Holy Spirit Parish in Cranbrook visited "Gumburu", Townsville Catholic Education's rainforest retreat at Paluma on Mount Spec, for the parish's inaugural youth camp.</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader,</i> 31.10.2004, page 18</p>
2004	<p>On 28.09.2004, about 30 young people turned up at a World Youth Day 2005 information evening hosted by Bishop Michael Putney at the Bishop's home.</p> <p>Bishop Putney announced that he would travel with the Queensland pilgrimage.</p> <p>The WYD was due to take place in Cologne, Germany in August 2005.</p>	<p><i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 11.12.2003, page 2 <i>The Catholic Leader,</i> 31.10.2004, page 18</p>
2004	<p>On 30.09.2004, the St. Joseph the Worker Church in Wulguru was damaged beyond repair by fire.</p> <p>Some items such as the altar and seats were able to be saved.</p> <p>A marquee was erected adjacent to the remains of the old church for the celebration of Mass until a new church building could be completed.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements,</i> 20.05.2005, page 7, 18.08.2005, page 9</p>
2004	<p>A group of St. Vincent de Paul ladies who were all members of the Louise de Marillac Conference, made frequent visits to Townsville's Stuart Correctional Facility where they taught craft skills.</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader,</i> 31.10.2004.</p>
2004	<p>Our Lady of Lourdes School principal Luke Brown announced that a building program involving the construction of new air conditioned learning centres, toilets and an outdoor area would begin shortly at the school in preparation for their joining the Preparatory Year Trial in 2005.</p> <p>(Opened & Blessed 30.08.2005)</p> <p>They were one of only three Catholic schools in Queensland to offer the new preparatory year.</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader,</i> 31.10.2004, page 18 <i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School</i> <i>100 Years 1915 – 2015</i></p>
2004	<p>On October 3-4, the Franciscan Friars celebrated 50 years of ministry in the Townsville Diocese. Former</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader,</i></p>

	Townsville Franciscans, Frs. Paul Smith and Brian Lester from Sydney, and Frs. Finian Perkins and Paul Fitzgerald from Brisbane, joined the two remaining friars in the diocese, Fr. Anthony Stott from Ingham and Fr. Giles Setter from Deeragun, for the celebrations at St. Anthony's Church, Deeragun	31.10.2004. Page 18
2004	On 04.10.2004, Ms Julie Morgan delivered a Public Lecture at the Mater Conference Centre in Fulham Road, Townsville. The theme of the talk was "Justice and Peace and the Integrity of Creation.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, p6
2004	4 th October to 10 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2004.
2004	On 08.10.2004, Bishop Michael Putney celebrated a thanksgiving Mass at St. Brigid's Church in Stuart, Townsville, to mark the centenary of the blessing and opening of the little wooden church by Apostolic Vicar and Augustinian Bishop James Murray of Cooktown in 1904.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> , 31.10.2004. Page 18
2004	Year 12 students from Gilroy Santa Maria College in Ingham took out two of six "Studitalia" prizes offered to high school students across Queensland. Dominic De bono and Michelle Costa would travel to Italy, live with Italian families and attend school in Parma for one month.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 7
2004	The Family Group Movement Townsville co-ordinator Elizabeth Tillack stated that the movement had spread from Sydney to Townsville thirteen years ago. Numbers had dwindled from 700 to 300. Eight family groups were operating in the Holy Spirit Parish at Cranbrook.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 2
2004	Centacare offered a new counselling service empowering women to cope with pregnancy, post-natal depression, post-abortion and grief issues. The service was titled "Circle of Life". The program development officer was Ms Sharon Moloney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 2
2004	From October 15 - 17, Townsville Catholic Education Centre's rainforest environmental village, "Gumburu", at Paluma on Mount Spec, celebrated its 10 th anniversary. Thuringowa Mayor Les Tyrell officially opened a new environmental sensory trail while Brisbane Catholic Education Council chairwoman, Josephite Sister Mary McDonald, who was the director of Townsville Catholic Education Office when Gumburu was built, launched a new solar energy kit.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> , 31.10.2004, page 18 <i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 7
2004	On 16.10.2004, Catholics and Lutherans gathered at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Mysterton, Townsville to mark the fifth anniversary of the signing of the Joint Declaration on the Doctrine of Justification.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> , 25.11.2004.
2004	During October, Wilma Grier, director of Mary MacKillop Childcare centre in Mundingburra, presented her own findings of the positive learning practice of the Montessori system at an international Montessori Conference held in Florida.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 5
2004	The Townsville Diocese welcomed a third priest from the Philippines. Vincentian Priest Fr. Leonard Rivere, 54, was released by his order in Cadlan Pili Camarines Sur to carry out his priestly ministry in the Townsville Diocese for the next three years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 3
2004	On 19.10.2004, Rev. Peter Blackburn of the Burdekin Uniting Church celebrated the 40 th anniversary of his ordination as a Minister of the Word. To mark the occasion, the Sacred Heart Parish in Ayr invited him to exercise his ministry by preaching at the Saturday Vigil Mass in the first weekend of October.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 2
2004	In the week October 22-29, Bishop Putney was in Krakow attending a Methodist – Roman Catholic Dialogue at Jasna Gora's Shrine to Mary, one of Poland's most venerated shrines. From November 11 - 13 Bishop Michael also attended the meeting of Presidents of Commissions for Ecumenism in Rome where the 40 th anniversary of the Decree of Ecumenism of the Second Vatican Council	<i>Bishop's Memorandum dated 15.09.2004</i> <i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News</i>

	was marked. In between these times, he made his annual retreat at an Ecumenical Monastery in Northern Italy at a place called Bose.	<i>Supp.</i> 19.08.2004, page 6 <i>Supp.</i> 25.11.2004, page 3
2004	On 12.11.2004, the 2004 North Queensland launch of the Christmas Bowl Appeal was held at the Holy Family Parish Centre. The Christian World Service State director, Rev. Michele Knight from Queensland Churches Together spoke about the year's theme, "The Christmas Bowl at work in the World – Giving Courage to Hope for Peace". The special speaker was Rev. Li Enlin, associate secretary of the Amity Foundation from the People's Republic of China.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004. Page 7.
2004	The Diocesan Social Justice Group and the House of Prayer joined forces in a bid to raise awareness on violence. On 26.11.2004, a program, "From Violence to Wholeness" was presented at the Mater Conference Centre by professional facilitator, counsellor and educator, Brendan McKeague, a staff member of the Pace e Bene Franciscan community in Las Vegas. Nevada.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004. Page 5.
2004	On Sunday 27.11.2004, St. Catherine's Parish, celebrated the centenary of the first church built in Proserpine which was at that time part of Bowen Parish. Bishop Putney concelebrated Mass with St Catherine's parish priest Vincentian Fr. Jose Koyickal. After Mass Bishop Putney unveiled and blessed a plaque on the front wall of the church dedicated to the first church.	<i>Catholic Leader</i> 05.12.2004 Page 17
2004	On 01.12.2004, Sr. Marie Farrell delivered a series of lectures at the Mater Hospital Conference Centre on the Role of Mary's influence in the Catholic Church. Sr. Marie was a teacher of systematic theology and Christian spirituality at the Catholic Institute of Sydney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 4
2004	From Monday 06.12.2004 to Wednesday 22.12.2004, Holy Spirit Church in Cranbrook was closed for removal of asbestos from the ceiling. As there was no access to the church whatsoever during this period, weekend Masses were celebrated in the Ignatius Park Auditorium.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, pages 133/134</i>
2004	In late 2004, the Townsville Catholic Education Office (CEO) set four key ICT (Information and Communications Technology) benchmarks. These included achieving a minimum ratio of one computer per five students, replacing all work stations every four years and ensuring schools were both internally and externally connected to both a Local Area Network (LAN) and a Wider Area Network (WAN).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005. Page 7.
2004	This year's Stable on the Strand ran from 19 th to 24 th December. The guest star was children's singer Colin Buchanan of ABC Playschool and Playhouse Disney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2004, page 8
2004	Christmas midnight Mass was not celebrated in Townsville's Sacred Heart Cathedral for the first time this century. Renovations worth \$3 million, including a new roof, were underway. This year's midnight Mass, celebrated by Bishop Michael Putney, was moved to St. Patrick's Church, South Townsville.	<i>Catholic Leader</i> 05.12.2004 Page 17
2004	On Boxing Day, 2004, an earthquake measuring 9.0 on the Richter scale struck under the seabed on a 1,000 km long fault line in the Andaman Sea causing a tsunami. Waves up to 30 metres high caused destruction and death in Thailand, Indonesia, Sri Lanka, India, Malaysia, Myanmar (Burma), the Maldives, as well as Kenya and Somalia in East Africa. The tsunami killed nearly 300,000 people. Parishes in the Townsville Diocese contributed more than \$46,500. A benefit concert was held in the Holy Trinity Church in Mundingburra.	" <i>Australia Through Time</i> " 2005 Edition. <i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005, page 5.
2004	Immediately after the Boxing Day tsunami, Indian born Vincentian Priest Fr. Jose Koyickal, Whitsunday	<i>Townsville Bulletin-</i>

	<p>Parish Priest, asked for donations to build a house for victims of the tsunami. Enough money was raised to build homes for two young Indian couples, one Christian and one Hindu and to set them up for the next five years.</p>	<p><i>Catholic News Supplement</i>, 25.11.2005, Page 1.</p>
2004	<p><u>Ignatius Park College – 2004</u> IPC students achieved outstanding results in the National Business Studies and Economics Competitions. Daniel Grace was awarded the first place in Queensland, and Jeremy Evens was third. John Eldridge (Year 11) achieved a result that was in the top 1% of Queensland in the Junior Division of the Economics Competition.</p> <p>The St. Vincent de Paul committee promoted a “Wheelie Bin Against Want” project through which they collected a substantial amount of clothing for men and boys in Papua New Guinea. They also regularly visited the Oz Care Men’s Shelter to help serve dinner and lend a friendly ear.</p> <p>A new Computer Room (C4) was established bringing the number of computers available for student use to 120.</p> <p>Year 11 Hospitality students participated in the H.O.T.E.L. School at Seaworld Nara resort. To enhance the experience the students also enjoyed a guided tour and meal at Plazzo Versace, the only 6 star resort in Australia.</p> <p>The College won the Melton Black Shield for the 27th time since 1977.</p> <p>Three IPC students represented Australia in Club sports. Michael Buchanan (Australian Junior Swimming Squad), Michael Spargo (U/16 Australian Indoor Cricket), and Colby Ward ((U/19 Australian Indoor Cricket).</p> <p>This year’s production saw the return of a number of Old Boys to relive the roles they had played in IPC’s greatest hits in the past.</p>	<p><i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009</i>, Page 79.</p>
2005	<p>Pope John Paul II declared 2005 as the “Year of the Eucharist”.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, page 3</p>
2005	<p>In mid-January, work began on the construction of a new church in Bowen replacing the 92 year old St. Mary’s Church which was destroyed by arson in May 2003. Parish administrator Fr. Jim Kaptein had been celebrating Mass at Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Queens Beach, since he arrived in September 2004.</p>	<p><i>Catholic Leader</i> 05.12.2004 Page 17</p>
2005	<p>24th January to 24th March – School Term 1.</p>	<p>Diary 2005.</p>
2005	<p>Our Lady of Lourdes in Ingham became the second Catholic school in the Townsville Diocese to trial the preparatory year of schooling.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 31.10.2004, page 18</p>

	St Anthony's Catholic College, Deeragun, Townsville, had commenced the trial in 2004. (Preschool would cease at the end of 2006. From 2007, the Queensland Government introduced a full-time preparatory year of schooling before children commenced Grade 1).	20.05.2005, page 4 25.11.2005, page 2 16.02.2006, page 4
2005	The first week in School Term 1 saw 262 computers delivered to Catholic schools in the Townsville diocese. In late 2004, the Townsville Catholic Education Office set four key ICT (Information and Communications Technology) benchmarks. These included a minimum ratio of one computer per five students, replacing all work stations every five years and ensuring schools were both internally and externally connected to both a Local Area Network (LAN) and a Wider Area Network (WAN).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005. Page 7
2005	At St. Anthony's Catholic College, Deeragun, Townsville, established in January 1992, a secondary campus with a year eight enrolment of 80 students was opened for the start of the new school year. The students have access to 12 hectares of college grounds in the Northern Beach suburbs. The North Queensland Nickel company contributed \$30,000 for the college's sports ground.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.05.2004, 17.02.2005, Page 8
2005	Indigenous students who graduated from Catholic schools in 2004 found industry placements through the Education Training and Reforms Framework, run by the Catholic Education Office Townsville. The program had been running for two years. Indigenous students from Ignatius Park College, St. Margaret Mary's College and Ryan Catholic College secured positions within construction, engineering and electrical fields.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.02.2005 Page 5
2005	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Priests appointments effective from 01.02.2005</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fr. Bill Busuttin as Parish Priest of Charters Towers. 2. Fr. Bill Brady MSC as Administrator of Hughenden, Winton and Richmond. 3. Fr. Feliz Barela as Assistant Priest at Mount Isa. 4. Fr. Leonard Rivere CM as Assistant Priest at Ingham. 5. Fr. Tony O'Brien MSC as Administrator at Palm Island. 6. Fr. Tony Stott OFM as Priest Support at Mundingburra. 7. Fr. Brooks Patterson had retired from active ministry due to ill health and was residing at the presbytery in Railway Estate. (Died 29.04.2005). 	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005 Page 2 <i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005 Page 9
2005	Charters Towers couple Mike and Lesley Griffin, along with Father Brian Taylor from Caloundra, form the Pacific leadership team of the Worldwide Marriage Encounter movement	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, page 3
2005	Fr. William Brady M.S.C. (from Henley Beach in Adelaide) was appointed parish priest of Winton, Hughenden and Richmond. (2005 to 2007) During this time, Frs. Tom Chapman and Laurie Bissett M.S.C. and David Hore and John Martin C.SS.R supplied.	Information supplied by Sr. Paul Mary.
2005	On Thursday 10.02.2005, the "Respect for Life Committee" held its inaugural meeting at the Catholic Centre in Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, page 8
2005	On Friday 11.02.2005, an ancient treasure was revealed to students at the Holy Spirit School in Cranbrook to mark the beginning of the Townsville Diocese 75 th anniversary celebrations. On Friday 11.02.1930, Pope Pius XI signed the Papal Bull, an official Vatican document that declared Townsville a diocese in its own right. The year of celebration was launched by the diocese's current and fifth Bishop, Michael E. Putney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005 Page 1

2005	On 02.03.2005 a special pre-release screening of Will Smith's new movie " <i>Hitch</i> " was played at Warrina Cineplex Currajong. Money raised from the screening was to be donated to Townsville diocesan youth taking part in the World Youth Day pilgrimage to Cologne, Germany in August this year. Bishop Michael Putney would accompany the youths on their pilgrimage.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005, Page 8
2005	Beginning March 3 and continuing March 4 and April 13 and 14, a workshop for youths titled " <i>Frameworks for Justice and Peace</i> " was run by Edmund Rice Camps, in conjunction with the St. Vincent de Paul Society and the Catholic Youth Ministry Townsville. The workshop was held at Ignatius Park College and was presented by Martin Kelly who was co-ordinator of Edmund Rice Camps and Ministry Support	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005 Page 6.
2005	On Saturday 05.03.2005, an information workshop was held at the Catholic Education Office in Kirwan for people interested in joining a workshop group to support families within the community. The concept of the " Family Life Board " was an initiative of Bishop Michael Putney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005, page 6.
2005	A committee " Family.Life.Council " was established in 2005 to advise Bishop Michael on family issues within the Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements</i> , 25.11.2005 & 16.06.2011.
2005	On Monday 14.03.2005, about 700 Year 12 students from Catholic schools in Mount Isa, Ingham, the Burdekin, Charters Towers and Townsville gathered in the Ignatius Park Hall to take part in the "Reach Out Program". Guest speaker Jeff McMullen, former <i>60 Minutes</i> presenter, facilitated forums and panel discussions. Brisbane band "Emmanuel Youth Worship" entertained with a mixture of evangelical music and modern pop. Students also shared a meal with their peers from other schools.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005. Page 7.
2005	Easter Sunday 27.03.2005.	Diary 2005.
2005	Death of Pope John Paul II on 02.04.2005.	<i>All Roads Lead to Rome.</i>
2005	4 th April to 17 th June – School Term 2.	Diary 2005.
2005	On Sunday 08.04.2005, Bishop Michael Putney conducted the official diocesan requiem mass for Pope John Paul II at St. Patrick's Church in South Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 3
2005	Two Mount Isa parishioners, Terri Purkis and Angela Whyte attended the National Catholic Family Gathering in Sydney last April (2004). They were so impressed by a workshop offered by "Celebrate Love" that they arranged for a seminar at the Good Shepherd Parish in Mount Isa.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, page 4 <i>The Leader</i> , 27.02.2005 Page 17
2005	During the weekend of 9/10 April, a "Celebrate Love Seminar" was held at the Good Shepherd Parish in Mount Isa. This was arranged by parishioners, Ms Terri Purkis and Ms Angela Whyte and was facilitated by Sydney couple Michael and Trish Casey.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, Page 4
2005	From April 10-16, over 25 Sisters of Mercy met in a Plenary Council in Townsville. The venue for the event was the Plaza Hotel. Leaders of the seventeen Australian Congregations, the Congregational Leaders of Papua New Guinea and Pakistan, and three members of the Institute Leadership Team gathered to discern and discuss issues affecting the sisters.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005. Page 8.
2005	From 10-16 April, "Exodus", a formation week for pastoral workers was conducted at the Scalabrinian Migration Centre, Manila in the Philippines. The Townsville delegate was Ms Maureen Mosch, co-	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> ,

	ordinator of multicultural pastoral care in the Townsville Diocese.	20.05.2005, page 6.
2005	On 14.04.2005, at a ceremony held on the Australian Catholic University Brisbane campus, Townsville parishioner John (Jack) Gleeson was awarded ACU National's highest honour, an honorary doctorate, for his selfless and tireless commitment to the church and to the radio and television broadcasting industry and the communities of North Queensland.	<i>T'ville Bull – Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 12 <i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.03.2008, page 5
2005	On 16.04.2005, a crowd of about 400 people from the communities of Clare, Dalbeg and Millaroo converged at St. Joseph's Church in Clare for their annual celebration of the Feast of St. Joseph. 2005 was also the 25 th anniversary of the Burdekin Valley Parish giving a further reason to celebrate.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005, page 10.
2005	Brisbane Bronco's coach Wayne Bennett hosted a women's breakfast at the Townsville RSL to raise funds for the nine Townsville pilgrims who were making the trip to Germany in August to participate in World Youth Day in Cologne.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005, page 7.
2005	Election of 78 year old German Cardinal Joseph Alois Ratzinger as our 265 th pontiff on 19.04.2005. He was formally inaugurated as Pope Benedict XVI on 24.04.2005. The blessings and congratulations of the Catholic community of the Diocese of Townsville were relayed to Pope Benedict XVI in a personal letter from Bishop Michael Putney.	The Official Dir. of the Catholic Church in Aust. <i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 2
2005	During April, seven young St. Vincent de Paul volunteers spent a week at St. Michael's School providing much needed support in the classroom. This program was trialled successfully in 2003.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 7
2005	Fr. Peter Quilty returned to Townsville after attending a 13 week sabbatical course at the Tantur Ecumenical Institution in Jerusalem.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 11
2005	Bishop Michael Putney endorsed a phased expansion of the Catholic Residential Facilities at James Cook University, with phase one set for completion in time for the 2006 academic year. Stage one consisted of building 30 air conditioned rooms and included provisions for disabled residents. An administrative centre was to be constructed at the front of the complex. Terry O'Toole of Northpoint Developments was the Architect for the project.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005. Page 9.
2005	Death of Fr. Brooks Patterson, aged 67 years, in the Mater Hospital on 29.04.2005 after a long illness. Born 30.08.1937. Funeral in Holy Trinity Church, Mundingburra. Buried in Belgian Gardens Cemetery.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 9 Funeral Mass Booklet
2005	Catholic Education Office director Mike Byrne returned from a "Learning in the Digital Age" study tour focusing on ICT curriculum developments in New Zealand, the United States and the United Kingdom.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 12
2005	A Diocesan Environmental Awareness Team was formed as a result of a challenge from the Townsville Catholic Education director Mike Byrne to the Gumburu In-service team, to consider a charter broadening their vision and activity beyond a 10 year involvement with the Gumburu Environmental Centre.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005, page 4.
2005	Helen Mammino, a former student of Gilroy Santa Maria College in Ingham became one of only four female Black Hawk pilots in the Australian Army. On her way back to Townsville from exercises in the Cairns region, the army granted Lt. Mammino permission to land her Black Hawk at her old school in Ingham. The whole school turned out to watch her arrival.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005. Page 4.
2005	During the weekend of May 5-7, Ingham held its annual Australia Italian Festival celebrations. The annual L'eleganza Sera di style fashion design awards attracted many students from Gilroy Santa Maria	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> ,

	College in the Wearable Art category. Jonathan Pavetto, Year 9, attracted the judges' attention with his creativity to win the contest.	20.05.2005. Page 5.
2005	Young adults have formed the twin cities' first ever discussion and social group for young Catholics aged from 18 to 30. The group is called Wild Fire.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.05.2005, page 7
2005	On 14.05.2005, the Good Shepherd Parish in Mount Isa commenced a week of celebrations to mark its 75 th anniversary with a combined Catholic Schools Ball at the Irish Club. On 19.05.2005, a Candlelight Service of Remembrance was held at the Sunset Lawn Cemetery. On Sunday 22.05.2005, a Combined Church Service of Thanksgiving was held followed by lunch at the Amphitheatre Outback with members of the Anglican and Uniting Churches, who were also celebrating 75 years in the city. During the week, an Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Council bush picnic and farewell to church leader Colleen Muckan was held and Bishop Michael Putney commissioned Ms Elizabeth Dempsey as a new Aboriginal church leader. The Bishop also blessed and opened extensions to St. Joseph's School library and administration block. The Mount Isa City Council arranged a civic reception for all three churches on Friday 20.05.2005.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplements,</i> 17.02.2005, page 4. 20.05.2005, page 6. 25.11.2005, page 4. <i>Liturgy Booklets</i> <i>Catholic Leader,</i> 27.02.2005, page 17
2005	From Monday 16.05.2005, Gethsemane began running a new course, "Self-esteem for Teens", to encourage assertiveness and offering techniques to manage feelings in all walks of life.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.02.2005, page 6
2005	On 20.05.2005, the Mt. Isa Catholic High School became the Good Shepherd Catholic College. The Blessing and Opening of the refurbishment and extensions to the College buildings and the Naming Ceremony took place in the presence of Bishop Michael E. Putney. (<i>"On History's Page"</i> , DVD, A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Qld. in the sesquicentenary year, 2009).	<i>Official Souvenir Program</i>
2005	On 24.05.2005, the Feast of Mary Help of Christians, the 75 th anniversary of the erection of the Diocese of Townsville was marked with a Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Putney in the Church of the Holy Trinity at Mundingburra, Townsville. Special guests were the Papal Nuncio Archbishop de Paoli and former Bishops of Townsville, Archbishop Leonard Faulkner and Bishop Raymond Benjamin.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 20.05.2005. Page 1.
2005	During his visit in May, the Papal Nuncio Archbishop de Paoli laid the foundation stone for the new church in Wulguru. He also visited Palm Island and arranged for the donation of a new bus for St Anne's Parish. (Died in October 2007)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 15.11.2007, page 8.
2005	The last sister teaching in St. Francis' School, Hughenden was Sr. Margaret Barry S.M.S. who remained until the end of 2005. The first Lay Principal was Ms. Kath Tarttelin. (Official Souvenir Program " <i>On History's Page"</i> , DVD, A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Qld. in the sesquicentenary year, 2009).	" <i>On History's Page"</i> , (DVD),
2005	On Friday 03.06 2005, members of the Confraternity of Christ the Priest invited parishioners to a Golden Jubilee Eucharistic Celebration of thanksgiving which was offered at the Sacred Heart Church in Ayr. Bishop Michael Putney presided. Fifty years previously, (1955) Fr. John Whiting had established the Confraternity of Christ the Priest at Parkside	<i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 55</i>
2005	A new preparatory room was constructed at St. Catherine's School in Proserpine. (Official Souvenir Program " <i>On History's Page"</i> , DVD, A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Qld. in the sesquicentenary year, 2009).	" <i>On History's Page"</i> , (DVD),

2005	From 14.06.2005 to 19.06.2005, a mini Eucharistic Congress was to be held in Townsville. Special guest Fr. Gerard Moore, author of the book “ <i>Why the Mass Matters</i> ” was to speak at the congress. (NOTE: I suspect that this event was postponed. See entry for July17-24).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.02.2005, page 3.
2005	On 29.06 2005, Fr. Terry Lyons celebrated his 40 th year as a priest. A Mass to mark this occasion was celebrated in Holy Spirit Church, Cranbrook followed by a BBQ.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010</i> , page 135
2005	A group of 30 members of the St. Michael’s School Island Dance Group travelled from Palm Island to Brisbane to perform traditional dances in the Queensland School’s Extravaganza at the Brisbane Entertainment Centre.	<i>T’ville Bull - Cath. News Supps.</i> 18.08.2005, page 8
2005	Holy Spirit School in Cranbrook launched a new “Black Ink” press production at its NAIDOC Week liturgy this year. <i>Biddy’s Fishing Line</i> is an early childhood story, illustrated by Robbie Paul, an indigenous parent at the school. Robbie also worked with Year 4 students to produce a mural as part of their Natural Disasters Learning Unit. (3 rd to 10 th July)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005.
2005	4 th July to 9 th September – School Term 3.	Diary 2005.
2005	The Queensland State Conference of the Australian Catholic Charismatic Renewal Movement was held in a marquee at St. Paul’s College on the James Cook University Campus from 15 th to 17 th July 2005. Bishop Michael Putney was the guest speaker. His personal Episcopal motto, “ <i>He will renew you by His love</i> ”, was the theme of the conference. As part of the conference activities, a men’s breakfast was held on Friday July 15, at the Cedar Lodge Motel. (Townsville hosted this conference for the second time in 2013).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplements</i> , 17.02.2005, page 5, 20.05.2005, pages 8 & 12. 18.08.2005, page 8
2005	On Sunday 17.07.2005, Bishop Michael Putney launched a week long Diocesan Eucharistic Congress at the Mater Conference Centre in recognition of Pope John Paul II’s declaration of 2005 as the Year of the Eucharist. Several prominent guest speakers attended from Thursday to Saturday. Sydney Benedictine priest Fr. David Orr and Josephite Sister Carmel Pilcher both travelled to Townsville to speak at the CentaCare Conference Room. A Eucharist Devotion was held at Holy Trinity Church, Mundingburra from Monday 18.07.2005 to Wednesday 20.07.2005.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 20.05.2005, page 10 <i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010</i> , page 135
2005	Death of Fr. John Holyoak on 18.07.2005 aged 69 years. Fr. John had been administrator of the Sacred Heart Cathedral since 2001 but had pastoral care of the Cathedral since 1998 as parish priest of St. Mark’s on Cleveland Bay Parish. He was Chancellor of the Townsville Diocese since 1968 and Secretary of the Roman Catholic Trust Corporation since 1974.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 5 Photo included.
2005	On 22.07.2005, Bishop Michael Putney officially opened and blessed the new Church of St. Joseph the Worker in Wulguru, Townsville. A picture of Mary of Perpetual Help which had been saved from the fire that destroyed the old church was reframed and hung on the wall of the new church. A partly burnt cross from the old church was also put up high inside the door. The altar and seats had also been saved.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 9 Photo included.
2005	On Thursday 28.07.2005, St. Vincent de Paul Society volunteers in the Townsville / Thuringowa area banded together to conduct a successful Carpark Sale at the Society’s headquarters, Echlin St. West End.	<i>T’ville Bull.- Cath. News Supps.</i> 18.08.2005, page 8
2005	In July, after nearly 10 years since joining the Sisters of the Good Samaritan, Meg Kahler made her	<i>Townsville Bulletin-</i>

	perpetual profession in Melbourne. Meg had joined the staff at Ryan Catholic Community School as a Secondary school teacher at the beginning of 1991. After a few years, she moved to St Michael's, Palm Island as a primary school teacher for a year before becoming a "Good Sam". Sr. Kahler was now working in Kiribati, a small Pacific Island nation on the equator.	<i>Catholic News Supplement</i> , 25.11.2005, Page 8.
2005	On 04.08.2005, Bishop Putney and nine Townsville youths departed Townsville to attend the World Youth Day activities in Cologne. They would retrace the footsteps of Saint Paul, taking part in a 12 day trek through Turkey and Greece, leading up to the week of festivities in Cologne. (15 th to 21 st August)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 3
2005	On Sunday 07.08.2005, Bishop Michael Putney and 200 young Queenslanders, West Australians and New Zealanders celebrated Mass with a number of bishops and priests from both countries in the war cemetery at Anzac Cove.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 2
2005	On 07.08.2005, Canadian priest Fr. Jim Captein gave his final service in Townsville before flying back to his home in Nipawin, Saskatchewan, Canada. During his eleven months as parish priest at St. Mary's in Bowen, Fr. Jim rallied behind the community to help build a new St. Mary's Church to replace the historic 90 year old church destroyed in 2003 by an arsonist. After the departure of Fr. Jim, the Bishop appointed Fr. Felix Barella from the Philippines as the pastor and administrator of the Bowen parish.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplements</i> , 18.08.2005, page 10 18.05.2006, page 7
2005	St. Joseph's Church in North Ward, Townsville had been reconstructed in recent years and the finishing touches were now being added. The outside was to be painted within the next couple of months. (Photo included).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 2
2005	Fr. Vic Dalton retired from his position as Parish Priest of St. Mary's Parish in West Townsville during August 2005 and resided at the Villa Vincent Nursing Home in Mundingburra until his death in 2012.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 29.03.2012.
2005	Indigenous artist James Doyle visited St. Joseph's School in Mundingburra to share the story of one of his paintings, purchased by the school. The painting was to become a feature in the newly renovated school library.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 6
2005	Catholic education representatives converged on Townsville for a forum discussing challenges they were facing. During the forum the group visited the Mary MacKillop Childcare centre in Mundingburra. Townsville Diocese was one of only a few in Australia to branch into childcare.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 7
2005	Townsville Inter-church couple Giordano and Anne Laguna, from Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish in Mundingburra, represented the Townsville Diocese at an International Conference in Newcastle from 18 th to 21 st August. The conference focused on the document "Inter-church Marriages. Giordano is a practising Catholic and Anne is a practising Presbyterian.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005, page 4
2005	On 30.08. 2005, Bishop Michael Putney officially blessed and opened the newly built Prep classrooms at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic School in Ingham.	<i>T'ville Bull.- Cath. News Supps.</i> 25.11.2005, page 2
2005	On 31.08.2005, Sr. M. Leo Foley celebrated the diamond jubilee of her religious profession with a special Mass at St. Patrick's Convent on the Strand. Sr. M. Leo taught in most of the Catholic Schools in the Townsville Diocese and also spent seven years on the Motor Mission in the Calen/Kolijo Parish teaching religion in state primary and secondary schools.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.08.2005 Page 8
2005	16 th September to 9 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2005.
2005	Townsville Mater Hospital – Construction of a new Cardiac Catheter Laboratory.	<i>Mater Health Services</i>

	Commencement of Day Oncology Unit and Clinical Trial Centre.	<i>North Qld., Developments</i>
2005	<p>Though St. Patrick's College opened its doors more than 100 years ago, 2005 was selected as the year to mark the schools centenary.</p> <p>The main gatherings of the College Centenary were the open days held on 24-25 September. (Interviews with past students were published in the Townsville Bulletin on Saturday 15.10.2005, page 48). (A university class for girls opened on 18.01.1892). (St Patrick's High School and Boarding School for Girls desiring secondary education was established in the convent on the Strand in Townsville in 1904). (St. Patrick's College for Girls was dedicated by Bishop James Duhig on 15.10.1911. The college on the Strand in Townsville replaced the High School established in 1904).</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.06.2003, page 4 17.02.2005, page 3 18.08.2005, page 11 <i>Catholic Leader</i> 10.04.1969, page 6. <i>Townsville Catholic News</i> Oct. 1935 & Nov. - 1963</p>
2005	<p>On September 30 and October 1, the Townsville Diocesan Pastoral Council met at the Mater Conference Centre.</p> <p>This year's theme was "Conversion: the Launch Pad to Evangelisation". Mrs. Carmel Crawford from the Melbourne Archdiocesan Office for Evangelisation was guest facilitator for the two day gathering.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.08.2005, page 5 25.11.2005, page 8.</p>
2005	<p>Bishop Michael Putney attended an international dialogue between the Methodist and Catholic Churches in Vienna, Austria. Bishop Putney had acted as the Catholic co-chairman of the conference for almost 10 years. He was also travelling to Rome for another meeting with the Methodists who were making an official visit to the Vatican and the Pope.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 25.11.2005, Page 6.</p>
2005	<p>The end of St. Patrick's College centenary year saw the retirement of Sisters Marie Melville, Bev Hickson and Anita Ready. Sr. Marie attended St. Pat's in 1964 and 1965 and had been the principal of the college for the last 24 years.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin</i>, 15.10.2005, Page 48.</p>
2005	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Status of Diocesan Priests and Religious</u></p> <p>Fr. Jose Koyical was back a few weeks from India where he blessed the houses that were built for Tsunami victims through donations from his own Whitsundays parish.</p> <p>Fr. Glenn Humphreys CM was back from holidays. He would look after masses at the Cathedral until the end of the year following the death of Fr. John Holyoak.</p> <p>Len Horner would be Manager of the Cathedral Parish until an Administrator was formally appointed. He would be assisted by Tony O'Sullivan (Parish Council President) in the day-to-day running of the parish.</p> <p>Fr. Alan Sheldrick joined Fr. Terry Lyons on the Finance and Property Council.</p> <p>Fr. Maurie Casey was now the Bishop's Delegate for the granting of marriage dispensations.</p> <p>Fr. Don Smith was due back this week.</p> <p>Fr. Tony Stott OFM looks after masses at the Villa at the moment. He celebrates Sunday mass thanks to the assistance of Chaplain Matt Donnelly from Lavarack Barracks, who celebrates the Sunday morning mass at Holy Trinity Church, Mundingburra.</p> <p>Fr. Pat Carroll has been in the Coronary Care Unit at Royal Brisbane Hospital. He was now at St. John's Home in Brisbane.</p> <p>Fr. Peter Quilty headed back to Israel in early October leading a pilgrimage. He was due back home in early November. During his absence, an Army chaplain would look after mass in Wulguru.</p>	<p><i>Circular from Bishop Michael E. Putney to Diocesan Office Staff</i> <i>Dated 27.09.2005</i></p> <p><i>Archives ref. 551/6</i></p>

	<p>Fr. Tony O'Brien MSC on holiday in Italy is due back on 08.10.2005.</p> <p>Since Fr. Jim Kaptein's departure from Bowen, Fr. Michael Taylor supplied on a weekend for a number of weeks. Fr. Eugene Harley from Sydney then looked after it for one month. Fr. Tyson Doneley MSC who had just finished a supply at St Mark's on Cleveland Bay, would be looking after it for the month of October up until All Souls Day.</p> <p>Fr. Felix Barela, who is looking after Mount Isa, will finish there after Christmas. Fr. Edgar Blain SVD will come to Mount Isa for January as he usually does. At the end of January, Fr. Mick Lowcock will return from his sabbatical.</p> <p>Fr. Joe Baxter was now living in John Holyoak's unit in Wellington Park.</p> <p>Fr. Francis Ferriggi MSSP to leave Cloncurry after Christmas and head off on a year's sabbatical.</p> <p>Sr. Catherine Cuddihy RSM has taken up a role in the diocese on behalf of Bishop Michael and the Priests' Support Committee to ascertain the needs of retired or sick priests.</p> <p>Sr. Juliette Gagne FMM from Palm Island was on holidays at her home in Canada and discovered that she would need heart surgery. She would not be returning to the diocese for some months.</p>	
2005	<p>The Townsville Diocese celebrated its 75th jubilee this year.</p> <p>On 08.10.2005, a Jubilee Dinner was held in Edmund Rice Hall at Ignatius Park College in Cranbrook.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 18.08.2005, page 12</p>
2005	<p>On 17th October, Archbishop John Bathersby of Brisbane visited Mt. Isa as the guest of Bishop Michael Putney for the second annual Bishop's Dinner.</p> <p>An addition to this year's ceremonies was the Bishop's Awards. Recipients were Fay McLellan, who was stepping down as manager of Ozcare Men's Hostel in December after 10 years in the position; Kay Bloomfield, who had recently resigned as manager of St. Vincent de Paul after 15 years of service; and 91 year old Jack Comerford, who was rewarded for his love and devotion to his wife Doreen.</p>	<p><i>Catholic Leader</i>, 30.10.2005 Page 18</p>
2005	<p>From 19.10.2005 to 30.10.2005, Bishop Michael Putney was away attending the Methodist /Catholic Dialogue in Vienna</p>	<p>Circular dated 27.09.2005 Archives ref. 551/6</p>
2005	<p>After spending three and a half years serving in parishes throughout diocesan, Fr. Alfonso Grageda returned to the Philippines. (14.06.2002 to 25.10.2005)</p> <p>His final posting had been as administrator of St. Mary's Parish in West End, Townsville.</p> <p>His replacement was Fr. Amado Canaveral who arrived in Townsville from the Philippines on 16.10.2005.</p>	<p><i>T'ville Bulletin - Catholic News Supps.</i> 25.11.2005, page 4. 17.07.2007, pages 2 & 3.</p>
2005	<p>On 29.10.2005, parishioners from the Good Shepherd Parish, Mount Isa travelled the 300km south to Bouli as part of their parish 75th anniversary celebrations.</p> <p>They attended a Mass at noon followed by a barbecue lunch.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 25.11.2005, page 4.</p>
2005	<p>Townsville played host to the bi-annual Queensland Catholic Diocesan Youth Co-ordinators meeting. Youth co-ordinators attended from Townsville, Rockhampton, Toowoomba and Brisbane.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 25.11.2005, page 7.</p>
2005	<p>Bishop Michael Putney visited the Townsville Correctional Centre to confer the Sacrament of Confirmation on an inmate.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>, 25.11.2005, page 2.</p>

2005	The North Queensland Christian Meditation Group held weekly meditation sessions at the House of Prayer in Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2005, page 5.</i>
2005	After 15 years serving on Palm Island, Sr. Lourdes Atienza was transferred to Adelaide. Before coming to Palm Island, Sister had worked in Africa and Papua New Guinea.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2005, page 5.</i>
2005	Six teacher aides from St. Michael's Primary School on Palm Island completed their Certificate III in Education which would enable them to attend university in 2006.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2005, page 6.</i>
2005	From Friday 11 th November, Elizabeth Harrington, the Brisbane Archdiocesan Liturgical Commission education officer visited Ayr, Townsville and Charters Towers, conducting workshops for people involved in liturgical duties.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2005, page 8.</i>
2005	On 19.11.2005, parishioners from the Good Shepherd Parish, Mount Isa made the 190 km trip to Camooweal, which was also part of the Mount Isa parish to end their 75 th anniversary year with a Mass and gathering at St Theresa's Church.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 25.11.2005, page 4.</i>
2005	Death of Sr. M. Angela Doyle RSM on 20.11.2005 aged 96. Buried Townsville Belgian Gardens Cemetery.	<i>Headstone in Belgian Gardens Cemetery</i>
2005	In November, 200 people from around Australia gathered for the "One in Christ Jesus" conference hosted in Sydney by the Bishop's Committee for Migrants and refugees. Townsville's Maureen Mosch and Tovia Kelemete attended the conference.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 8.</i>
2005	From 29.11.2005 to 11.12.2005, Bishop Putney flew to Rome to meet Pope Benedict XVI for the first time and to discuss the progress in dialogue between the Methodist and Catholic Churches. The World Methodist Council was making an official visit to the Holy See and Bishop Putney was accompanying them.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 1, Circular dated 27.09.2005 Archives ref. 551/6</i>
2005	On December 14, the Sunland Sacred Heart Cathedral House Project was launched. Land developers and owners of Bushland Beach, the Sunland Group, donated a block of land to the Cathedral Refurbishment Committee. Local company, Case Constructions, committed to project manage the building of their Kookaburra Home on the site. The home was to be auctioned in August with all proceeds going towards the refurbishment of the Cathedral.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 2.</i>
2005	At the end of the school year, Mr. Luke Brown resigned as Principal of Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School in Ingham. (2004 – 2005)	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School 100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2005	<u>DURING 2005</u> The interior of St. Joseph's Church on the Strand was refurbished. Marilyn Jacob, Manager of Centacare Family Services in Mount Isa, received an award from the Australian Institute of Management for "Rural/Remote Manager of the Year in the Townsville District" because of the amazing growth of Centacare in Mount Isa.	<i>Circular from Bishop Michael E. Putney to Diocesan Office Staff Dated 27.09.2005</i> <i>Archives ref. 551/6</i>

	<p>Anne Mcguigan, who was APRE at Columba Catholic College in Charters Towers has died while she and her husband Frank were home in Ireland on holidays.</p> <p>A constant request from the Palm Island elders and Fr. Tony O'Brien MSC was that the diocese purchase a small bus so that they could pick up people for mass on Sunday and for funerals and for other parish events. The Apostolic Nuncio, Archbishop Ambrose De Paoli, was so touched by his visit to the island and this plea for a bus, that he organised a benefactor in the United States to pay for it.</p>	
2005	In a ceremony at St. Joseph's Church on the Strand, Sr. Mara Hogan made her final profession at a community mass.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 16.02.2006, page 3.
2005	<p><u>Ignatius Park College – 2005</u></p> <p>A sixth house was added to the Pastoral system to accommodate the growing population of the school. The Maroon Carew House was named in honour of Mr. Paddy Carew, long time teacher at the school.</p> <p>A new computer room, C5, was designed to accommodate the new subject, Information Technology Systems.</p> <p>This year's production was not just an extravaganza, but also a theatre restaurant. Guests were served a three course meal while they were entertained by a performance of Godspell.</p> <p>The Open Touch Football team were victorious in the State Championships, after wins against Ipswich SHS, Palm Beach, Currumbin and a 3-2 victory over Glenala in the final.</p> <p>The IPC Stage Band conducted a tour of Western Queensland to take music to the young people of the outback.</p>	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College 1969 – 2009,</i> Page 81.
2005	During 2005-6, classrooms at St. Francis' School in Ayr were air conditioned through the "Cooler Schools Program".	<i>The Greatest Gift Celebrating 100 Years, p. 9</i>
2006	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>New school principals for 2006</u></p> <p>Our Lady of Lourdes in Ingham; Laurence Hocking. Canossa Primary School in Trebonne; Paul Cavallaro. St. Peter's Primary School in Halifax; Damir Muftic. St. John Bosco's School in Collinsville; David Koina from Toowoomba. St. Colman's in Home Hill; Patrick Dempsey from Victoria. St. Catherine's School in Proserpine; Daniel Ward from Maryborough. Good Shepherd Catholic Community School in Rasmussen; Ed Burke from St. Joseph's, Mundingburra. Southern Cross Catholic School in Annandale; Paul Cosgriff from Good Shepherd Catholic Community</p>	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 16.02.2006 Page 7. Photo included.

	<p>School. St. Joseph's Mundingburra; Mike Colahan, former deputy principal of Holy Spirit School. St. Joseph's The Strand; Sean White from St. John Bosco's School in Collinsville. St. Patrick's The Strand; Kathy Park succeeds Sr. Marie Melville who resigned after 24 years at the school.</p>	
2006	At commencement of 2006, seminarian Rod Ward began a twelve month placement in Holy Trinity Parish, Cranbrook as part of his preparation for priesthood.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 137</i>
2006	On Tuesday 03 01.2006, staff of the Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish in Mundingburra moved into their new Parish Centre which was named after the late Fr. Brooks Patterson. The building was blessed and opened by Bishop Michael Putney on Sunday 05.02.2006. The builder was Mr. John Wilkinson.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 5.</i>
2006	At the beginning of 2006 at James Cook University, St Raphael's College combined with St. Paul's College to become The Combined Catholic Colleges of St. Raphael and St. Paul. Although there was one administration for the colleges they preserved their distinctive identities.	<i>History of Saints Catholic College Archives ref 551/6</i>
2006	North Queensland Cowboys player Brenton Bowen commenced a two year part time traineeship in Community Recreation through Queensland Apprenticeship Services, facilitated by the Catholic Education Office. His training was to be carried out at St. Anthony's Catholic College.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 4.</i>
2006	The Catholic Education Office teamed up with Axiom to deliver a training program, TEK Net. Eight schools based in Townsville, Ingham, Burdekin, Mount Isa, Cloncurry and Winton elected to take part in the program. Adult and student representatives from each school travelled to Paluma for an intensive five day workshop at the Gumburu Environmental Education Centre.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006 Page 4.</i>
2006	In January 2006, Ozcare commenced a six stage redevelopment of its Villa Vincent aged care facility at Mundingburra. The old facility is being systematically demolished and rebuilt. The project is expected to be completed by June 2010.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp. 19.03.2009 Sun Community Newspapers, 14.09.2011</i>
2006	Mrs Cathy Park of St. Aiden's College in Brisbane was appointed as the first Lay Principal of St. Patrick's College in Townsville. Cathy was a former student of Sisters of Mercy in New York.	<i>Townsville Bulletin, 15.10.2005, page 48. 04.02.2006, page 19.</i>
2006	In January, Bishop Putney travelled to Durham, UK, to attend a conference to speak on the Methodist – Catholic dialogue.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 1.</i>
2006	In 2006, work commenced in the Diocesan Archives on the digitising the Sacramental Registers of the Diocese.	Townsville Catholic Archive records
2006	23 rd January to 7 th April – School Term 1.	Diary 2006.
2006	St. Michael's on Palm Island became the third Catholic School in the Townsville Diocese to phase in the prep program ahead of time. The first was St. Anthony's in 2004 and the second was Our Lady of Lourdes, Ingham in 2005. This year would see the end of preschool with the introduction of the Prep Year commencing throughout Queensland primary schools in 2007.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 31.10.2004, page 18 20.05.2005, page 4 25.11.2005, page 2 16.02.2006, page 4</i>

2006	<p>“<u>KidsMatter</u> Primary” is an Australian Primary Schools Mental Health Initiative that recognises the importance of students’ mental health to their learning and wellbeing. (It was first trialled in 2006 and by 2010 was being implemented in more than 100 schools).</p>	<p><i>Our Catholic Schools, Diocese of Townsville Term 4, 2010</i></p>
2006	<p>Construction of car parking areas were under way at the Sacred Heart Cathedral and work to finish the internal restoration of the Cathedral recommenced at the end of January. (List of pledges)</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 2</i></p>
2006	<p>On 05.02.2006, the new Mundingburra parish office was opened after a mass and blessing by Bishop Michael Putney. Since the old centre was destroyed by an arsonist in 2004, the parish staff had been working out of a demountable office in the St. Joseph’s school grounds.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 5</i> <i>Cath. Leader 26.2.2006 page 17</i></p>
2006	<p>During February 2006, work began on the long overdue project of painting the Holy Spirit Church and parish centre in Cranbrook, Townsville.</p>	<p><i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010, page 137</i></p>
2006	<p>From February 6 to the end of May, a graduate Certificate course in Interfaith Relations was conducted at the Australian Catholic University in Canberra. Townsville parishioner Fran Byrne was one of only 10 people in Australia chosen to take part in the Young Catholic Women’s Interfaith Fellowship course.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 3.</i></p>
2006	<p>On 07.02.2006, Bishop Putney announced that Townsville Catholic Education Office director Mike Byrne had been appointed as Queensland Catholic Education Commission (QCEC) executive director in Brisbane.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 8</i></p>
2006	<p>On 11.02.2006, Bishop Michael Putney attended the World Day of the Sick in Adelaide.</p>	
2006	<p>On Wednesday 15.02.2006, the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Pastoral Letter on the Church and the Media was launched in Sydney. Townsville parish life and ministry director Len Horner represented the Townsville Diocese at the gathering.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement, 16.02.2006, page 5.</i></p>
2006	<p>On Friday 17.02.2006, a number of twin cities youths headed off for a three day Youth Ministry and Young Adult Retreat at Gumburu, Paluma, facilitated by Fr. Matthew Donnelly.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 6</i></p>
2006	<p>In February, Bishop Putney attended the World Day of Prayer for the Sick in Adelaide.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 1.</i></p>
2006	<p>On Friday 24.02.2006, Bishop Michael E. Putney officially opened the new St. Mary’s Church in Bowen with a special Mass and dedication service. Architect for the new building was Colin Christ from Robin Gibson and Partners Architects in Brisbane. Local builder, Pilcher Industries’, won two Queensland Master Builders regional awards for its work on the church. (The former church was destroyed by an arsonist in May 2003).</p>	<p><i>Catholic Leader, 8.5.2005, page 18</i> <i>T’ville Bull – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 6</i> <i>18.05.2006, page 7</i></p>
2006	<p>On Tuesday 28.02.2006, the annual Project Compassion Appeal was launched at Anthony’s College, Deeragun.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull – Cath. News Supp. 16.02.2006, page 6.</i></p>
2006	<p>Following on Mike Byrne’s departure to the Queensland Catholic Education Commission, Doctor Cathy Day was appointed the new director of the Townsville Catholic Education Office.</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bull – Cath. News Supp. 16.05.2006, page 3</i></p>
2006	<p>During March, Case constructions began work on “Sunland House” at Bushland Beach, north of Townsville. The house was auctioned in January 2007 with the proceeds going towards the cost of the refurbishment of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. (Photo included)</p>	<p><i>T’ville Bulletin - Catholic News Supp 18.05.2006 p.3. 16.11.2006 & 22.02.2007.</i></p>

2006	<p>On 08.03.2006, year 12 graduate Kristen Gileppa scored a hat-trick for Gilroy Santa Maria College, Ingham, when she was presented with the T. J. Ryan Memorial Medal at State Parliament House in Brisbane. Kristen was the third consecutive student from the College to receive the medal. Previous winners were Robert Cope, who received the medal in 2005 and Michael Berkely, who won it in 2004. The award, in memory of former Queensland Premier Thomas Joseph Ryan, acknowledged excellence and leadership in school and community life.</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.04.2006 Page 17</p>
2006	<p>On 11.03.2006, a special breakfast for women was held at the Townsville RSL. This was the third such breakfast in 10 months. Guest speaker was Mrs. Therese Vassarotti, executive officer of the Commission for Australian Catholic Women.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i>, 18.05.2006, page 2.</p>
2006	<p>On Wednesday 12.03.2006, Palm Island Parish celebrated the 75th anniversary of the permanent foundation of St. Anne's Mission on the island. The date of the jubilee was the feast of St Anne last October but water restrictions forced the postponement of celebrations. Bishop Putney presided over a special mass followed by the sharing of stories and a cuppa murri feast. A ferry brought 140 people from various Townsville parishes. Trips were arranged to the site of the Aboriginal Catholic mission at Butler Bay where the previous day, Bishop Putney had presided at a smaller gathering to unveil a memorial plaque.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.02.2006, page 6.</p> <p><i>Catholic Leader</i> 02.04.2006, page 18</p>
2006	<p>Townsville's House of Prayer and Spirituality in Pimlico celebrated their 25th Jubilee from Friday 17th to Saturday 25th March. On Saturday 18th March, Bishop Michael Putney celebrated Mass in Anderson Park under a large marquee beside the house.</p>	<p><i>The Catholic Leader</i>, 02.04.2006, page 17 <i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i>, 18.05.2006, page 6</p>
2006	<p>On 23.03.2006, the Burdekin Valley Catholic Parish held their annual St. Joseph's Feast Day Celebrations at St. Joseph's Church in Clare. Mass was celebrated by Fr. Sabbadian, a Scalabrinian priest from Brisbane, who was in the district for a week supporting migrants.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i>, 18.05.2006, page 3.</p>
2006	<p>As part of the build-up to World Youth Day 2008 in Sydney, a delegation of 60 young Australians travelled to St. Peter's Square in Rome to receive the WYD cross and icon from the German delegation who hosted the last WYD in Cologne. The Australian delegation included Rachel Grahl who represented the Townsville Diocese.</p>	<p><i>T'ville Bull - Catholic News Supps.</i>, 18.05.2006, page 1. & 17.05.2007, page 4.</p>
2006	<p>Death of Fr. Charles Martin (Marty) Branagan CSsR on 01.04.2006 at the Good Shepherd Home in Melbourne. Fr. "Marty" was 97 and had worked for many years in Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook. He had retired at the age of 89.</p>	<p><i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010</i>, page 137</p>
2006	<p>On 01.04.2006, Mary MacKillop House (the former St. Joseph's Convent) was opened in Richmond as a community centre for Spirituality under the auspices of the Western Ministry for Spirituality within the western region of the Catholic Diocese of Townsville. During this year, there was a new volunteer each month – Sr. Moya Campbell, Judy Brown, Sr. Marion Therese, Marion and Terry O'Brien, Sue Dando, Sr. Lyn Freestone, Norah Kersh, Mary Stark and Sr. Carmel Street. (Full time Coordinators were appointed from 2007 onwards). (The House was officially blessed and opened by Bishop Michael Putney on 10.09.2006).</p>	<p><i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i>, 17.08.2006, page 4 21.02.2008, page 6 19.03.2009 <i>A Brief History of the Western Ministry for Spirituality</i>, page 6</p>
2006	<p>On 02.04.2006, Townsville Catholic Education hosted the first meeting of the North Queensland Zone Schools Constitutional Convention for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders secondary students.</p>	<p><i>Catholic Leader</i> 02.04.2006, page 18</p>

2006	St Patrick's School, Winton, celebrated its 100th anniversary on April 15 – 16. School principal Daniel McDonough invited current and past pupils to return to Winton over the Easter break to help celebrate the milestone.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps.</i> 20.05.2005, page 4 16.02.2006, page 6.
2006	Easter Sunday 16.04.2006.	Diary 2006.
2006	The annual Movers and Shakers leadership development conference was held over the Easter school holidays on the Sunshine coast. Seventeen young adults from Townsville, Ayr, Ingham and Charters Towers aged between 15 and 25 attended the conference.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.05.2006, page 8.
2006	A community water grant from the Federal Government under its water fund program allowed Abergowrie College to set up its own water harvesting facilities.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 8.
2006	17 th April to 23 rd June – School Term 2.	Diary 2006.
2006	Death of Fr. Patrick James Carroll in Brisbane on 13.05.2006 aged 82. Fr. Carroll served in a number of parishes in the Townsville Diocese from 1948. He was buried in Nambour on 17.05.2006.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 2.
2006	On 19.05.2006, the Catholic Women's League in Townsville marked their 100 th year at a Mass celebrated by Bishop Michael Putney in the Holy Spirit Church at Aitkenvale, followed by a lunch in Ignatius Park Hall.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 2.
2006	Palm Island residents were presented with their own 12 seater bus to take them to Masses and Bible study groups. After a visit in 2005, American born Apostolic Nuncio Ambrose De Paoli was prompted to obtain the necessary funds from benefactors in the United States.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.05.2006, page 6.
2006	On Tuesday 23 rd May, the new library at St. Joseph's School, Mount Isa was blessed and officially opened by Bishop Michael Putney.	<i>Liturgy Booklet</i>
2006	On Friday 26 th May, Dr. Catherine Day was inaugurated as Director of the Townsville Catholic Education Office.	<i>Liturgy Booklet</i>
2006	On 01.06.2006, Sr. Marie Melville commenced her new appointment as support officer for religious education in "Education Queensland" schools in the Diocese of Townsville. As well as this new role, Sr. Melville also took on the role of director of Catholic Missions for the Diocese of Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> 06.07.2006, page 8.
2006	On 02.06.2006, the Sacred Heart Cathedral held a twilight preview cocktail party which include a sneak preview of the work that had been done to the cathedral. (The official opening date was planned for 23.06.2006).	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, Page 5.
2006	On 04.06.2006, Bishop Michael Putney decreed the suppression of the parishes of St Mary's, West End and St Mark's on Cleveland Bay. On this day, the communities of these two parishes now became part of the Cathedral parish.	<i>DECREE held in Bishop's Office. Diocesan seal attached on 18. 04.2006</i>
2006	Effective from 04.06.2006, the Sacred Heart Cathedral Parish was erected with Fr. Glenn Humphries CM as its administrator and Fr. Amado Canaveral as his assistant. The new parish incorporated the former parishes of St. Mary's in West End, St. Francis Xavier in Railway Estate, Joan of Arc on Magnetic Island and the Sacred Heart in the city. Fr. Humphries would come into the new parish from the former St. Francis Xavier's and Fr. Amado from Mount Isa and his position as acting pastor of St. Mary's in West End.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 18.05.2006. Page 4.
2006	As part of Education Week 2006, the Townsville and District State School Music Council hosted a 4 day camp for year 6 and 7 students from state primary schools at the NQOMT Hall in Pimlico. The camp	<i>The Sun</i> 21.06.2006

	culminated in an afternoon concert for parents and friends at the Holy Family Church in Currajong.	Page 12
2006	On June 20 th , Townsville Catholic Education and Queensland Transport launched a “ <u>Drive 4 Life</u> ” program as a joint project, targeting Aboriginal and Torres Straight Islander students in North Queensland Catholic colleges. It focused on driver education and such issues as road conditions, alcohol and drugs, restraints, unlicensed driving and overloading. Cowboys’ player Brenton Bowen, a former St Teresa’s Abergowrie school captain, was the face of the program and was featured with his parents on a promotional poster.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> 06.07.2006, page 8. 21.02.2008, page 1. C/Leader 16.07.2006, p.17
2006	The director of the World Community of Christian Meditation, Benedictine monk Fr. Laurence Freeman, visited Mount Isa on June 19, Bowen on June 21 and delivered a lecture at the Mater conference centre in Townsville on June 22. The assistant director in religious education, curriculum and IT Ernie Christie stated that the diocese was introducing Christian meditation to children.	<i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 6. <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 2, 2012, page 2.
2006	On 23.06.2006, the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the renewed Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville was formally consecrated by Bishop Michael Putney and re-opened after almost two years of refurbishments. A civic secular service was held in the morning and the liturgical blessing in the evening. (A Board of Gratitude was erected in the Cathedral in 2010 recognising those who gave to the \$3 million facelift). The new altar and other new Sanctuary furnishings were made in Melbourne. A relic of St Margaret Mary Alacoque was placed in the altar. The timber was Tasmanian maple. Timber used for the individual seating was Silky oak to match the original pews located at the entrance. The old bell which had been returned from Lavarack Barracks in 2004 was also installed in a new bell tower.	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supps.</i> 18.05.2006, page 5. 06.07.2006 pages 1 to 7 18.03.2010 Self Guided Tour brochure.
2006	St. Patrick’s Church in South Townsville had been operating since the Sacred Heart Cathedral closed in 2004 but now ceased Sunday Mass services with the cathedral now re-opened.	<i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 4.
2006	Construction of 2 additional Consulting Suites in the Townsville Mater Medical Centre. Relocation of PTSD to off-site premises in Mooney Street. Demolition of Administration building on corner of Fulham Road and Park Street.	<i>Mater Health Services North Queensland, Developments</i>
2006	Death of Fr. Peter Green S.J. on 04.07.2006. Fr. Peter was 87 and had ministered in the Townsville Diocese for 21 years and had worked in Adult Faith Education.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010, page 138</i>
2006	On 07.07.2006, members of the Papua New Guinea community in North Queensland joined with Bishop Michael Putney and Fr. Amado Canaveral at St. Mary’s Church in West End, Townsville, to celebrate the feast of St Peter To Rot. St. Peter was a catechist who gave his life for his faith in the Rakuni district of New Guinea in 1942.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, page 5.
2006	A national count of mass attendance was organised by the Pastoral Projects Office of the Australian Catholic Bishop’s Conference and was conducted with the National Church Life Survey in July.	<i>T’ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 4.
2006	10 th July to 22 nd September – School Term 3.	Diary 2006.
2006	From 21.07.2006 to 27.07.2006, a second Mission has conducted at the Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook by two Dominican Priests and a Dominican Sister. At this time, Fr. Terry Lyons was on annual leave and Fr. Tom Chapman from Lismore was relieving in the parish.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T’ville 1965-2010, page 137</i>
2006	Sydney priest Fr. Chris McPhee visited several schools in the Townsville Diocese to talk to Year 11 and 12 students about life choices and vocations.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement,</i>

	Fr. McPhee was a missionary from Missionaires Du Sacre-Coeur (Missionaries of the Sacred Heart).	17.08.2006, page 6.
2006	On 02.08.2006, Sr. Denise (Veronica Minnage) celebrated her Platinum Jubilee (70 years). The 94 year old Sister was joined by relatives and friends and members of the Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy at a Mass of Thanksgiving celebrated by Bishop Michael Putney.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> , 17.08.2006, page 2. <i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, page 2.
2006	From August 7-11, Bishop Putney joined with bishops from the Pacific, Papua New Guinea and the Solomons, New Zealand and Australia when they met as a Federation in Suva, Fiji. Previously they had met in 2002 in Rabaul, PNG, and Rome during the Synod for Oceania in 1998, New Zealand in 1994 and Sydney in 1990.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 8.
2006	On the night of August 8, an Australian Census was held.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.05.2006, page 4.
2006	Fr. Amado Canaveral was appointed official Catholic chaplain to the Port of Townsville. When paperwork was completed, he would visit the Seafarer's Centre and ships in the port and celebrate mass in the ecumenical chapel at the Flying Angel Seafarers Centre.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 8. 16.08.2007, page 5.
2006	Kimberley Davis was appointed as the director of the Office for the Participation of Women in the Church to be based in Canberra. Formerly, Kimberley had worked at Holy Spirit School and then at Ryan Catholic College as their religious educator co-ordinator.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 7.
2006	On the eve of the introduction of the preparatory year throughout Queensland, the Catholic Education Office held a "Farewell to Preschool" function during Catholic Education Week inviting preschool teachers and aides from throughout the diocese to celebrate their contribution. Bishop Putney presented each teacher with a special lapel pin.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 6.
2006	On August 14, the Vinnies Youth and Catholic Youth Ministry joined forces for an information night which was held at the Picnic Bay SLSC on the Strand in Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, page 3
2006	Centacare was awarded the tender by the Attorney General's Department to operate Townsville's Family Relationship Centre. The Centre was established in brand new premises located at Unit 1, 281-285 Ross River Road, Aitkenvale.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, Page 7
2006	On Tuesday 22.08.2006, Dr. Rod Ward was ordained as a deacon in the Holy Spirit Church at Cranbrook, Townsville. On this same night, the 30 th Anniversary of the opening of Holy Spirit Church was also celebrated.	<i>The Story of Holy Spirit Parish, Cranbrook, T'ville 1965-2010, page 138</i>
2006	From August 24-27, the St. Vincent de Paul Society celebrated the centenary of the formation of the first St. Vincent de Paul Conference in the Townsville Diocese. August 24 - A civic reception on the Townsville City Council forecourt. August 25 – Ozanam lecture by Bishop Hurley of Port Pirie in the Mater conference centre. August 26 – Sausage sizzle and memorabilia display at the Picnic Bay Surf Lifesaving Club. August 27 – Centenary celebrations closing mass and brunch at the Sacred Heart Cathedral.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supplements</i> , 16.02.2006 page 7. 18.05.2006 page 7. 17.08.2006 page 1. 16.11.2006
2006	On 10.09.2006, Bishop Michael Putney officially opened and blessed Mary MacKillop House, a Western Centre for Spirituality in Richmond.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.08.2006, page 4.

2006	During September, Mr. Frank Quinlan, National Director of Australian Catholic Social Services, addressed Centacare board members at an organisational retreat at the Mercure Inn.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Sup.</i> 16.11.2006
2006	On 19.09.2006, Sr. Suzette Clarke of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council conducted the Townsville launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2006.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 06.07.2006, page 8.
2006	Pilcher Industries Pty. Ltd. took out two major prizes in the Queensland Master Builders Regional Awards in 2006. They took out the Project of the Year award, as well as the Community Services Facilities up to \$2 million category for the new St. Mary's Church in Bowen, which opened last year	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006.
2006	Death of Fr. Noel Smyth on 29.09.2006.	
2006	From 2 nd to 7 th October, a national assembly of the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council designed to commemorate the 20 th anniversary of the visit of Pope John Paul II was held in Alice Springs. Bishop Putney attended with twenty others from the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006.
2006	On 07.10.2006, Pope Benedict XVI appointed Jack and Joyce Patricia Gleeson as Knight and Dame of the Order of Pope St. Gregory the Great. They were invested by Bishop Michael Putney in the Sacred Heart Cathedral Townsville on 01.07.2007. The Pontifical Equestrian Order of St. Gregory the Great was established in 1831 by Pope Gregory XVI and is the highest honour lay men and women can obtain in the Catholic Church. During 2006, the family of Mr. John (Jack) Gleeson established "The Gleeson Family Scholarship", which aims to financially assist aspiring tertiary students from regional and rural Queensland.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 16.08.2007, page 3. Joyce's Funeral Booklet, 14.07.2012. <i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.03.2008, page 5
2006	9 th October to 15 th December – School Term 4.	Diary 2006.
2006	On Wednesday 11.10.2006, the first day of the bi-annual Principals' Conference, priests, principals and pastoral leaders met to discuss the way forward for parishes and schools working in collaboration to better serve their communities.	<i>T'ville Bull. –Cath. News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 8.
2006	On Friday 13.10.2006, a special meeting of the Diocesan Pastoral Council was convened at the Mercure Inn. The main focus for the meet was on diocesan preparations for and celebration of World Youth Day to be held in Sydney in July 2008. It was expected that the Townsville Diocese would host more than 500 international visitors for several days prior to the event. Enquiries had already been received from groups from Canada and England.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, page 7.
2006	At the end of Ramadan, Bishop Putney with a number of other Catholics and representatives of other Christian Churches and of the Queensland Police Force joined with the local Muslim Community to celebrate the Feast of Eid to mark the end of their period of fasting.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 16.11.2006. Photo included
2006	During October, Brisbane based Glenine Hamlyn, General Secretary of Queensland Churches Together (QCT), made her first visit to North Queensland to learn more about the various initiatives amongst the churches of the north.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006.
2006	On October 27-28, the Mulkadee experience was inaugurated. The first Mulkadee Arts Festival took place at the Riverway Arts Centre in Townsville. It was a teaching and learning opportunity for students and teachers who are interested in developing their skills and knowledge in the arts. Mulkadee is an Aboriginal word meaning dream of spirit coming together.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supplement</i> , 16.11.2006. <i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Dio. of T'ville, Term 1, 2010

2006	During October, members of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic communities in the Townsville Diocese commemorated the 20 th anniversary of the visit of Pope John Paul II to Alice Springs with a trip to the Northern Territory. Bishop Michael Putney and diocesan representatives from Palm Island, Townsville and Mount Isa together with a group of indigenous teachers and teacher aides attended a special “Dreaming from the Heart” assembly in the Alice.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.08.2006, Page 5.
2006	Bishop James Wingle from Toronto, Canada was a guest of the Townsville Diocese during October. He was here as part of the Activ8 World Youth Day 2008 national speaking tour. Bishop James spoke at the Ryan Catholic Community Centre on Saturday 28.10.2006.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 16.11.2006.
2006	Vincenian priest, Fr. Jose Koyickal returned to India to celebrate his silver jubilee of ordination with family and friends in his home diocese of Kochin. Bishop Putney spent a week in India where he joined Fr. Jose and also visited the family of Fr. Abraham Cheripuram who was based in Cloncurry.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Supplement</i> , 16.11.2006 Email dated 06.10.2011.
2006	Mr. Dan Bowmar was appointed as Townsville’s Youth Ministry’s new Development Officer. Dan has had years of work in youth ministries and as an occupational therapist in both New Zealand and Australia.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Sup.</i> 16.11.2006
2006	On 02.11.2006, Fr. Bill Uren S.J. from Melbourne came to Townsville to lecture on the stem cell issue and to clarify the church’s stance. (Photo included).	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Sup.</i> 16.11.2006
2006	On 05 11 2006, The Aboriginal and Islander Community sponsored a Mass of Thanksgiving and tribute to the ministry of Deacon Monty Prior and his wife Dot who had worked in the diocese for more than 25 years. A special plaque was mounted in St. Teresa’s Church in Garbutt, Townsville to mark the occasion.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006.
2006	Death of Fr. John Thomas Whiting at Nazareth House in Melbourne on 20.11.2006 aged 89. Fr. John was the founder of the Confraternity of Christ the Priest which came into being on 23.01.1954 in Parkside, Ayr. The community worked in Parkside until 1969 when they moved to Melbourne.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.
2006	On 23.11.2006, in the Catholic Centre Conference Room, the Diocese of Townsville Catholic Indigenous Council met for the first Time. (Photo included in both supplements).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006 & 22.02.2007
2006	Ordination of Rod Ward on Friday 24.11.2006 by Bishop Michael Putney in the Sacred Heart Cathedral, Townsville.	<i>T’ville Bull. - Cath. News Sup.</i> 16.02.2006, page 6
2006	As a contribution to International Day for Disabled People on 03.12.2006, Mrs. Lorraine Abel, a Mundingburra parishioner, wrote a book called “ <i>We Have a Story</i> ” about two people in her Parish. One was her daughter Tricia, who has Downs Syndrome and the other was Bernard Fraser, who was autistic. The book was launched at St. Peter Chanel’s Church in Canberra on 04.12.2006.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006. Photo included
2006	On 12.12.2006, a special Mass was celebrated to mark the 175 th anniversary of the foundation of the Sisters of Mercy in Dublin by the Venerable Catherine McAuley in 1831. At this Mass, a new leadership team, recently elected for the next five years, was installed. The new team consisted of leader Sr. Marie Melville and councillors Srs. Beverley Hickson, Wendy Piggott, Nina Barra and Anita Ready.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.11.2006 Page 7
2006	<u>Ignatius Park College – 2006</u> Music at IPC took a step towards the future with the introduction of a new Creative Arts computer room and keyboard lab. This enabled students to experiment with sound sampling and video editing.	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College</i> 1969 – 2009, Page 83.

	<p>Nine boys embarked on the inaugural United Kingdom Basketball Tour. The boys spent three weeks travelling through England, Scotland and Ireland playing club and representative sides. Members of the First XI cricket team were also involved in the tour playing seven matches against local school teams.</p> <p>Disney's Aladdin was this year's production.</p>	
2007	<p><u>Mary MacKillop House - Richmond – Full-time Coordinators</u> 2007 Sr. Moya Campbell RSJ 2008 Mrs Robyn McCarthy from Townsville 2009 Mrs Christine Douglas from Yeppoon was appointed for 3 years 2011 Mr Terry Lees (end of 2011 to end of 2012) (Sr. Giuseppe Walsh RSJ assisted) 2013 Sr. Carmel Pattinson SGS (Feb 2013)</p>	<p><i>A Brief History of the Western Ministry for Spirituality, 1993-2015 pages 7, 8 & 9</i></p>
2007	<p>The Western Ministry for Spirituality commenced a second Spiritual Companions' (Directors) Training Program. The Program would run from 2007 to 2012.</p>	<p><i>Western Ministry for Spirituality, 1993-2015, p5</i></p>
2007	<p>Death of Grail member Moya Merrick on 06.01.2007 aged 86. When the Grail Hostel for Catholic Women students of the Townsville University College was opened in 1964, Moya was placed in charge. She also contributed to the plans for both St. Raphael's and St. Paul's Colleges and was the first Principal of St. Raphael's. Moya also designed the new convent for the Good Samaritan Sisters at St Margaret Mary's in Hyde Park in 1969.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement 22.02.2007.</i> Photo included.</p>
2007	<p>From 15th to 26th January, a three week Cross Cultural Summer School was conducted in Baulkham Hills, Sydney. Four delegates attended from the Townsville Diocese. They were Fr. Cipriano Mallari from the Philippines, Fr. Abraham Cheripuram from India, Sr. Cheryl Camp and Maureen Mosch from the Diocesan Office.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement 22.02.2007.</i></p>
2007	<p>On 27.01.2007, "Sunland House", a four bedroom home at 22 Ugarte St., Bushland Beach, built by Case Constructions and blessed by Bishop Putney was sold by auction to raise funds for the refurbishment of the Sacred Heart Cathedral. Seventy three businesses contributed building materials for the project. (Photos included).</p>	<p><i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supps. 18.05.2006, page 3, 16.11.2006 & 22.02.2007</i></p>
2007	<p>29th Jan. to 5th Apr. – School Term 1.</p>	<p><i>2007 Diary</i></p>
2007	<p>Catholic Schools in the Townsville Diocese welcomed the start of the new Preparatory Year of schooling for 2007. Prep was the new and improved 'preschool', which had been introduced by the Queensland Government in all primary schools throughout Queensland.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement 16.11.2006 & 22.02.2007.</i></p>
2007	<p>The Good Shepherd Community School in Rasmussen, Thuringowa, moved from multi-age classes to single year level groups. (DVD) A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Queensland in the sesquicentenary year, 2009.</p>	<p><i>"On History's Page", (DVD)</i></p>
2007	<p>St. Joseph's School in Mt. Isa celebrated its 75th Anniversary. (DVD)A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Queensland in the sesquicentenary year, 2009.</p>	<p><i>"On History's Page", (DVD)</i></p>
2007	<p>A Sports Academy for indigenous students of Catholic Colleges was established in 2007.</p>	<p><i>Our Catholic Schools, Dio.of T'ville, Term 1, 2010.</i></p>

2007	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Clergy appointments advised by Bishop Putney</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fr. Terry Lyons VG appointed parish priest of Stuart / Wulguru Parish from 01.02.2007 while retaining his pastoral duties in the Holy Spirit Parish at Cranbrook. 2. Newly ordained priest Fr. Rod Ward was appointed assistant priest with pastoral care of the Stuart / Wulguru Parish and chaplain to Centacare. 3. Fr. Peter Quilty was to step down as the administrator of the Stuart / Wulguru Parish to provide relief supply in various parishes while their pastor was on holidays and was to maintain his roles as Diocesan Director of Caritas Australia and Catholic Chaplain to Stuart Creek Prison. 4. Fr. Felix Barela who had been working in the Diocese for several years was to return to the Philippines from St. Mary's Parish Bowen. 5. Vincentian priest, John Halloran, would replace Fr. Felix in Bowen. 6. Fr. Mick Peters, who was parish priest of the Castle Hill Parish in North Ward, was appointed parish priest of Palm Island as well. 7. Fr. Cipriano Mallari, who came to the Diocese from the Philippines, was appointed as assistant priest in those parishes with particular responsibility for Palm Island. 8. Fr. Michael Taylor, who was on loan to the Military Vicariate, was returned to Townsville as Chaplain of Lavarack Barracks. 	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>Mrs. Gail Woodward was appointed chair of the Bishop's Family.life.council. This year the Family.life.disAbility sub-committee would continue and three new subcommittees were opened; Family.life.marriage, Family.life.media and Family.life.children.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>The St. Vincent de Paul Society elected Mr. Ron Sullivan as their new Townsville Diocesan president. He took over the reins from Losa Guise who held the position for the last three years.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>In partnership with James Cook University, students at St. Joseph's School in North Ward launched their book "<i>Ocean Action: An Adventure in Beachtown</i>", the result of 18 months work. The project was commenced by Year 4 students in 2005.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>A mosaic made from broken tiles, featuring the name of the Edmund Rice Flexible Learning Centre, was designed and constructed by staff and students. It was placed on display outside the reception area of the school.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>On 11.02.2007, the Sudanese community of Townsville celebrated the feast of their own Sudanese Saint, Josephine Bakhita, in the Holy Trinity Church at Mundingburra.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement</i>, 22.02.2007.</p>
2007	<p>In February, the St. Vincent de Paul Society appointed Karyn Redmond as their diocesan youth and schools ministries co-ordinator. Karyn was also the secretary for the Townsville Young Adult Conference (Vinnies Youth Crew).</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 7.</p>
2007	<p>On Saturday 17th February, Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish, Mundingburra / Hyde Park, celebrated 10</p>	<p><i>Catholic Leader</i></p>

	years of lay pastoral leadership. Ten years ago Mrs. Lyn Horner was appointed pastoral leader by Bishop Raymond Benjamin to test alternate forms of parish leadership.	25.02.2007 Page 17
2007	On Monday 26.02.2007, Fr. John Dear S.J. a Jesuit Priest from the USA, peace activist and long time practitioner and teacher of non-violence, delivered a lecture on “Living Peace” in St Margaret Mary’s College Theatre.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 22.02.2007.
2007	Good Samaritan Sister Therese Marie Fleming was appointed by Bishop Putney as Diocesan Director of Catholic Mission for Townsville. (Photo included).	<i>Townsville Bulletin - Catholic News Supplement,</i> 22.02.2007.
2007	The Sisters of Mercy were given preliminary approval by the Townsville City Council to build a 33 bed, aged care facility on Fulham Road opposite the Mater Hospital. The proposal comprised a single storey building laid out over four wings with accommodation, communal kitchen, lounge and dining areas as well as recreational facilities. A condition of the approval required the removal of an existing building on the site to another site within the Townsville local government area. The building concerned was Colonel North’s original home and was on the heritage listed data base.	<i>Townsville Bulletin,</i> Thu. 29.03.2007, page 14. <i>Townsville Sun,</i> Wed. 05.09.2007, page 3. <i>Townsville Sun,</i> Wednesday, 23.01.2008, page 27.
2007	Easter Sunday 08.04.2007.	<i>2007 Diary</i>
2007	Elaine Morganson, (Miss Elaine as she was known by the students at St. Teresa’s College at Abergowrie) completed a Bachelor of Education through the Australian Catholic University. For more than 30 years Elaine worked in the laundry and kitchen at St. Teresa’s boarding college. In 2000 she became a teacher’s aide at the college. She was then awarded a scholarship to study teaching, which she combined with working and raising her Family for six years. Elaine was a descendent of the Warragamy people and a traditional owner of the land surrounding the college.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Page 8.
2007	Townsville was granted one of only 13 Indigenous Sports Academies for high school students in Australia as part of the Federal Government’s Sporting Chance Program. Townsville Catholic Education Office was also the only Catholic Diocese in Australia to have secured an academy. About 100 students from 11 Catholic secondary colleges in the Townsville Diocese were awarded scholarships through the program.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Page 8.
2007	Retired Townsville school principal, Marie Radford, became an overseas teaching adviser through missionary organisation Palms and spent five weeks working in the Kiribati Islands.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 15.09.2011
2007	17 th Apr. to 22 nd Jun. – School Term 2.	<i>2007 Diary</i>
2007	On 19.04.2007, the Townsville Catholic Social Justice Committee sponsored an open forum at the Mater Conference Centre for the community to question and debate climate change and energy issues. Wendy Miller, manager of the Queensland Sustainable Energy Industry Development Group (QSEIDG), gave a presentation on energy efficiency, renewables and climate change.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Page 6.
2007	On 27.04.2007, a workshop was held at the Catholic Diocesan Centre to follow up the results of the National Church Life Survey conducted in the second half of 2006.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 6.

2007	At the end of April 2007, Fr. David Hore and Fr. John Martin of the Redemptorist Fathers arrived in Ayr for three weeks for a Renewal of Faith Mission while Fr. Alan Sheldrick was on leave. A Twilight Retreat was held for young people in the parish on Wednesday night 09.05.2007. (Fr. Martin died in Perth on Saturday 09.06.2018 – email from Fr. John Hodgson CSsR dated 11.06.2018)	<i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr, page 54</i>
2007	More than 20 young leaders and two convenors attended a Movers and Shakers youth leader's program held in (? South Queensland). Participants came from Charters Towers, Burdekin, Ingham and Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 7.
2007	Bishop Putney returned from a visit to Caceres Diocese in the Philippines which had two priests working on loan in the Townsville Diocese. While there he joined in the celebration of the golden jubilee of priesthood of Fr. Alfonso Grageda who was the first Filipino priest to volunteer for work in the Townsville Diocese where he served for three and a half years. (14.06.2002 to 25.10.2005)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Pages 2 & 3.
2007	The Diocesan Family Life Council produced a special Mother's Day card featuring the artwork of local artist Jan Hynes. The card depicted a scene called "Elizabeth meets Mary at the C-Bar over black coffee and mud cake" and included a blessing for all mothers. It was the first of a series of five cards to mark important occasions like Father's Day, Christmas, baptisms and weddings.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Page 2.
2007	Len Horner celebrated 25 years as administrator of the Catholic Diocese of Townsville. He was appointed Diocesan Secretary in 1982. His official title was changed to "Chancellor" last year. Len's wife Lyn celebrated 10 years as Pastoral Leader of Mundingburra Parish earlier in the year.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 4.
2007	Fr. Tam Ferlazzo retired after more than 50 years of service to the Catholic Church and the people of North Queensland. Since 1985, Fr. Tam had been parish priest in the Ingham district administering the three parishes of Halifax, Abergowrie and Ingham for most of that time. (Fr. Tam died on 26.03.2008)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 5.
2007	The Catholic Education Office launched the inaugural Combined Catholic Wind Symphony, the concept of which was an initiative of Ignatius Park College and Ryan Catholic College music teachers Matthew Thiele and Emma Crocker. The symphony comprised of 55 students from Ignatius Park College, St. Anthony's Catholic College, St. Margaret Mary's College, Ryan Catholic College and St. Patrick's College.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 8. <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, page 2.
2007	An icon of Blessed Mary MacKillop was placed in the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville. The icon was commissioned by Bishop Michael Putney for the refurbishment of the cathedral. It was completed by Sydney iconographer Michael Galovic.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 5.
2007	On 20.05.2007, an open air Catholic Mass was held in Lannercost Street, Ingham to mark the Australian-Italian festival. Fr. John Walsh presided.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.05.2007, page 2
2007	The St Vincent de Paul Society's Young Adult Conference held a barbecue outside Bunning's Warehouse in Townsville. They sold 105kg of sausages in seven hours making more than \$2000 to fund projects such as "Buddies Days".	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 17.05.2007, p. 3 & 20.11.2008, p. 3
2007	Cloncurry's St. Colman Parish combined with St. Andrew's Anglican Church and the Cloncurry Uniting Church for their Centenary celebrations which ran from May 31 to June 3. Highlights included a candle ceremony at the cemetery and a combined church service at St. Colman's	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.05.2007, page 2

	Catholic Church. On June 2, a new shed which would serve as a covered area for the school was blessed. (The parish's foundation stumps were blessed in 1907).	<i>Catholic Leader</i> , 21.01.2007, page 14 10.06.2007, page 17
2007	The second Stewardship Institute to be held in Australia took place in both Sydney (June 5 – 6) and also in Brisbane (June 15 – 17). The Townsville Diocese sponsored six participants to the institute while others were sponsored by their own parish.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007, page 7.
2007	On 14.06.2007, the upgraded Cathedral entrance road and car park and newly planted garden were blessed by Bishop Putney.	<i>Townsville Archives</i> Ref. 695/5
2007	During the Townsville Diocesan Pastoral Council held in June, three guest speakers spoke on vocations. They were Fr. Chris McPhee, who had studied at the Institute of Religious Formation at the Catholic Theological Union in Chicago, Mark Lysaght, who was the vocations promotions officer for the Archdiocese of Brisbane and Sr. Veronica McCluskie, who was the executive officer for Catholic Vocations Ministry Australia.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.05.2007. Page 1.
2007	In his capacity as official Catholic chaplain to the Port of Townsville, Fr. Amado Canaveral conducted a blessing of a Japanese ore cargo ship on its maiden voyage.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 16.08.2007, page 5.
2007	On 01.07.2007, Bishop Michael Putney invested Jack and Joyce Patricia Gleeson as Knight and Dame of the Order of Pope St. Gregory the Great. They had been honoured as such by Pope Benedict XVI on 07.10.2006. The only previous honour handed out in the Townsville Diocese was to Justice Robert Douglas in 1953.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 16.08.2007, page 3. Joyce's Funeral Booklet, 14.07.2012.
2007	For two weeks in July, Nungalinya College in Darwin hosted the first Australian Catholic Indigenous Leadership School under the auspices of the Asia Pacific School of Evangelisation (APSE). The school had representatives from 10 communities around Australia including Townsville and Palm Island.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007 page 7. 15.11.2007 page 6.
2007	10 th Jul. to 21 st Sep. – School Term 3.	2007 Diary
2007	During the weekend of July 13 and 15, 2007, the Ayr parish celebrated with visiting Good Samaritan Sisters 150 years of the Good Samaritans in Australia. On Monday 16.07.2007, St Francis School commemorated the 150 years with a planting of Good Samaritan roses around the base of the large Samaritan cross which was erected in memory of the Sisters when they withdrew from Ayr in 1994.	<i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr,</i> page 55
2007	During Education Week, Bishop Michael Putney visited The Marian School to officially open and bless new buildings as well as bless the icons for the new classrooms and office area. Federal Member for Herbert, Peter Lindsay MP, along with Member for Townsville, Mike Reynolds MP, unveiled the plaques that were to be displayed on the new buildings.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, Page 8.
2007	Principal of Canossa School, Majella Lynch-Harlow, advised that a weekly “tiny tots” playgroup was started at the school as a way to support families living in rural communities west of Ingham.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, Page 13.

2007	On Friday 13.07.2007, the Queensland Music Festival was launched in Winton with a Sunrise Voices concert at Bladensburg National Park at dawn. Students from St. Patrick's Catholic School in Winton participated in the event, learning music for the Medulka Band which performed for the festival.	<i>ABC News Posted 13 Jul 2007 8:25am</i>
2007	During a Mass at the ecumenical church of St Martin in Cannonvale, the chapel was dedicated to the memory of Fr. Tom Gard MBE. Fr. Tom was parish priest at St. Catherine's in Proserpine from 1966 to 1988 when he retired but continued to live in Proserpine until his death in 1993.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement 16.08.2007, Page 6.</i>
2007	Irene Peters joined the staff of the Townsville Catholic Education Office in the role of Speech and Language Pathologist – Disability.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, page 14.</i>
2007	Ada Boland joined the Indigenous team at the Catholic Education Office in the position of Career and Development Officer.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, page 15.</i>
2007	More than 50 early years teachers participated in a demonstration of the Prep Learning Profile software at Townsville Catholic Education Office. Ten teachers from Hughenden, Proserpine and Ingham who were not able to attend due to distance, logged into the meeting remotely and were able to participate online.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 13.</i>
2007	On Friday 20.07.2007, Bishop Michael Putney presided over a Eucharistic celebration in the Sacred Heart Cathedral to mark the foundation of the Sisters of the Good Samaritan 150 years ago in 1857 by the Archbishop of Sydney, John Bede Polding. Theirs was the first religious congregation founded in Australia.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement, 16.08.2007, page 5 Archives Ref. 694/6</i>
2007	This year marked the 10 th anniversary of the Townsville and District Italian Speech Competition. More than 100 students from 13 Catholic, state and independent schools in Townsville, Ingham and the Burdekin participated in the event.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 14.</i>
2007	Students from St. Joseph's School in Cloncurry and St. Kieran's and St. Joseph's Schools in Mount Isa participated in the "Friendly Games" during Term 3. The Mount Isa Friendly Games is held annually for students from Prep to Year 7 at the three Catholic schools in the region on a yearly rotation basis.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 14.</i>
2007	Students in the Ryan Catholic College Nanchusoran Dance Group, performed at a Japanese Speech Competition during Term 3. The group was trained in dance by their Japanese teacher, Setsuko Larsson.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 9.</i>
2007	The 2007 Abergowrie College Captain, Gary Walsh, was one of the first recipients of the prestigious Newmont Birri Secondary Scholarships. The Scholarship offering was in accordance with a native title agreement Newmont Pajingo had with the Birri and Kudjala people.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 11.</i>
2007	The inaugural Southern Cross Catholic School Riverway Walk was held in August as the major fundraising event for the year.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, page 11.</i>
2007	Primary students, staff and members of the P&F at St Anthony's Catholic College transformed a former vacant area of land on the school grounds into a rainforest. This project led to the creation of the St. Anthony's Gardening Club.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 9.</i>
2007	Students from Years 8 to 12 at Burdekin Catholic High School participated in the staging of "High School Musical" during Term 3. Directed by Elisa Rigano, the production was staged at the Burdekin Theatre and involved more than 80 students both on and behind Stage.	<i>Our Catholic Schools, Term 3, 2007, Page 9.</i>

2007	<p>St. Peter's Prep and Year 1 students (Halifax) again proved to be winning gardeners. Last year they grew prize winning carrots and Italian parsley. This year students again won first prize at the Ingham show for their zucchinis and lettuce.</p>	<p><i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, Page 9.</p>
2007	<p>Students at St. John Bosco School in Collinsville participated in the "Get Active in Queensland Schools Program". At the Inter Schools Sports Day, the school won the Average and Aggregate trophies and a team was selected to attend the Whitsunday trials in Bowen. Aidan Walters was further selected to compete in the North Queensland trials.</p>	<p><i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, Page 9.</p>
2007	<p>Twelve people in the Townsville diocese were nominated for Catholic Education Week Spirit of Catholic Education awards with two selected as State winners. The State award recipients were:- Andrea O'Brien, principal of Ryan Catholic College and Kerrie Lowth of Holy Spirit School. Other finalists included:- Paul Lucas, Maureen Norman, Ann Wuth and Paul Martin of Holy Spirit School. Ann-Maree Hislop of Good Shepherd Catholic Community School. Pam Alloway of St. Joseph's School, North Ward. Doris Watson of St. Michael's Catholic School on Palm Island. Narelle Sellick of St. Theresa's Catholic College in Abergowrie. Althea Norton of Columba Catholic College in Charters Towers. Flavia Menegon from Our Lady of Lourdes School in Ingham.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007. Page 8. <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007 Page 2.</p>
2007	<p>The second annual Mulkadee Arts Festival for students in Catholic schools in the diocese took place in Term 3, with a new structure and format. On July 27, during Catholic Education Week, a concert was held in the Townsville Civic Theatre as the culmination of the 2007 Festival. This year featured the UK based guest choralist and conductor, David Lawrence. Eight other highly experienced arts professionals were secured to deliver three days of intensive workshops. They were: Kylie Ball – Artistic Director, Youth Extensions Dance Company (dance workshop). Peter Scott – Pierrot Theatre & Studio Pierrot (drama workshop). Alisa Jones – Queensland Music School of Excellence (band workshop). Stephen Frewen- Lord – Violinist (strings workshop). Cath Meharry – Arts educator and artist (visual arts workshop). Terry Brown – Technical Manager, T'ville Civic Theatre (backstage management workshop). Sr. Valerie Huston – Music Teacher (choral workshop – road show).</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007, page 8. <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, Page 3</p>
2007	<p>On 05.08.2007, Townsville's St. Vincent de Paul Society clothing stores staged a public fashion parade at the Townsville Motor Boat and Yacht Club in a bid to attract more interest in the six second hand clothing and goods stores across the twin cities.</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007, page 3.</p>
2007	<p>On 05.08.2007, Bishop Michael Putney officially opened and blessed Oliver's cloister which was established beside the Sacred Heart Cathedral in Townsville in memory of baby Oliver Beau Fairfax and as a memorial to all babies who had died. Little Oliver was just 5 weeks old when he died of SIDS on 15.06.2007</p>	<p><i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007. Page 2.</p>

2007	Columba Catholic College students (Charters Towers) took out all major placings in both cattle judging sections of the "Forsayth Turn Out". Cattle Club members Emma Howell, Emily Merrin and Danielle Smith took out the major placings in the Heifer section, while Jade Roberts, Natalie Meehan and Emma Howell took out the judging of the Brahman bulls. Danielle Smith went on to take out the second prize in the Junior Judging section at the Brisbane "Ekka".	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, Page 7.
2007	On the weekend of 10/11 August, the St. Vincent de Paul Society in Proserpine celebrated the 70 th anniversary of its formation in 1936.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 16.08.2007, page 7.
2007	Death of Aboriginal Deacon Rev. Monty Pryor on Monday 13.08.2007. Rev. Monty was ordained to the Diaconate on Aboriginal Sunday in 1982 in the Sacred Heart Cathedral by Bishop Leonard Faulkner. He worked in Pastoral Ministry with Aboriginal and Islander people and was a chaplain to the Townsville prison.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007, Page 6.
2007	Students from Mt. Isa's Good Shepherd College presented Nick Enright's controversial play "Blackrock" to two sold-out audiences. The directors, Year 12 students Sarah Borell and Jane Oliffe presented the play to raise funds for the ACU National Arts Enrichment Program which they planned to attend in Brisbane during the September holidays.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007, page 21 <i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, page 7.
2007	In August, Fr. Yeshudas Easac and Fr. Dominic Manakil arrived in Townsville from India to work in the diocese for the next four years. Fr. Yeshudas was 34 years old and was from Tamil Nadu. He had been ordained four years. Fr. Dominic was 44 years old and was from Kochi in Kerala. He had been ordained 17 years. They were sent to Proserpine to spend a couple of weeks with Fr. Jose Koyickal to gain some experience of working in the Australian Diocesan culture.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007, Page 4.
2007	On Wednesday 5 th September, St. Mary's School in Bowen celebrated the opening of a new undercover area with the Member for Dawson, the Hon. De-Anne Kelly, MP, officiating. Principal, Alex Cameron also acknowledged a major upgrade of the school's tuckshop.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, Page 8.
2007	A District Athletic Carnival was held in Longreach during Term 3. Of the 38 medals that were won, 18 were presented to students from St. Joseph's School, Mount Isa.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 3, 2007, page 8.
2007	From September 7 to 17, the World Youth Day cross and icon moved around the Townsville diocese in the lead up to World Youth Day in Sydney in July 2008. They had arrived in Australia in August. The cross and icon travelled to Winton, Cloncurry, Mount Isa, Proserpine, Bowen, Ayr, Charters Towers, Palm Island, Ingham and Abergowrie. On Monday 10.09.2007, the cross and icon arrived in Ayr. (On Sunday 13.07.2008, 30 young people left from the Burdekin district to attend the WDP in Sydney). On September 11, St. Teresa's Community in Garbutt, Townsville celebrated the arrival of the World Youth Day cross and icon with a sausage sizzle at night followed by fun and games, drama, sharing stories, music,	<i>T'ville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplements</i> 18.05.2006, page 1 17.05.2007, page 4 16.08.2007, page 4 15.11.2007, page 6 <i>Our Cath. Sch.</i> , Term 3, 2007, p.4, 5 & 6 <i>100 Years of Grace, 1912 – 2012</i> <i>The History of the Sacred</i>

	prayer and a special cultural dance from the Palm Island girls from St. Patrick's College.	<i>Heart Parish, Ayr, page 48</i>
2007	On 30.09.2007, a commissioning ceremony was held in the Sacred Heart Cathedral for the new St. Vincent de Paul Society Townsville Diocesan President, Ron Sullivan, the Townsville Regional Council President, Greg Reardon, and new Vinnies Youth Conference members.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.08.2007, page 2.
2007	The Townsville Indigenous Sports Academy's inaugural program "Making Trax" was staged by St Patrick's College Year 11 English communications students during Term 3. The program operated as a partnership between the Australian Government (DEST), Townsville Catholic Education Office and the Catholic colleges in the Townsville diocese.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 28.10.2007, page17. <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, page 15.
2007	Internationally renowned indigenous dancer Nikki Willis left her Sydney based indigenous dance company, "Descendance", and returned to Palm Island to work with the students of St. Michael's School as cultural officer. Ms Willis set up a weekly program designed to introduce children to traditional ways and methods of music, dance, food gathering and hunting. Archie Fraser also returned to Palm Island to work with the students of St. Michael's.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007, page 21 <i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 3, 2007, page 16.
2007	8 th Oct. to 7 th Dec. – School Term 4.	2007 Diary
2007	Townsville's House of Prayer was given a major overhaul thanks to funds from the sale of a house in Wulguru donated by Dallas Jeffries, a former volunteer, who bequeathed her home to the House of Prayer when she died last year. A new larger deck overlooked Anderson Park and the air conditioned meeting space had been extended. A Mass and blessing of the renovations by Bishop Putney took place on 24.05.2008	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 8. 15.05 2008, page 2. 21.08 2008, page 7.
2007	Mater Hospital purchased the Townsville Wesley Hospital - a 58 bed Medical / Surgical facility situated on Bayswater Road. The total Mater Bed Capacity was now 225.	<i>Mater Health Services</i> <i>North Qld., Developments</i>
2007	After attending the Qantas AFL Kickstart Camp in Melbourne earlier in the year, Year 10 student Anzack Newman, of St. Teresa's College, Abergowrie, was chosen to tour South Africa in February next year as part of the AFL Indigenous Youth Team	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007 Page 20
2007	On 12.10.2007, Dr. Charlotte McCorquodale, a leader in the field of Catholic youth ministry in the United States, visited Townsville to share her experiences in preparing, experiencing and following-up a World Youth Day event within a host country.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 28.10.2007, page17 02.12.2007, page 21
2007	On the weekend of October 13 and 14, five men from Townsville Diocese attended a <u>MenAlive</u> weekend retreat in Brisbane. They were Alan Barry, Dan Bowmar. Kenny Pryor, Michael Hayes and William Coolburra. A similar weekend was planned for Townsville early in the new year.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 5.
2007	On 16.10.2007, Townsville diocese's Family.Life.Council hosted the launch of the booklet "Divorce and the Catholic Church". Bishop Eugene Hurley of Darwin launched the booklet at the Mater Conference Centre.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007age 20
2007	On 17.10.2007, Centacare Townsville's outgoing director Barry Sheehan was honoured at a wine and cheese evening for his seven years' leadership of the organisation. Barry was transferring to Centacare in Toowoomba where he was to commence as director on 29 th October.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007 Page 21
2007	On 05.11.2007, Dr Tony McMahan took over as the new Centacare director following the departure of Barry Sheehan for Toowoomba. Dr. McMahan had been an associate professor of social work and	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>

	community welfare at James Cook University for the past 15 years.	15.11.2007, page 4.
2007	The Mini Vinnies group at St. Colman's School in Home Hill wrapped up a busy year by organising the donation of non-perishable foods for the Vinnies Christmas appeal. Their activities had included a crazy hair and dress day and fund raising to sponsor two students through the St. Vincent de Paul Society's Assist-a-student program.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, Page 6.
2007	Queensland adviser to Catholic Earthcare Australia and principal of Holy Spirit Primary School, Mr. Paul Lucas, developed a CD called "Toward Environmental Futures:" an Environmental Audit, which allowed people to audit 11 different aspects of their life.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 5.
2007	On 15.11.2007, the diocesan Respect Life committee held their annual public lecture in the Mater Conference Centre. Guest speaker was Fr. Gerald Gleeson, Professor of Philosophy at the Catholic Institute in Sydney and a member of the National Health and Medical Research Council's Australian Health Ethics Committee. The address was titled "Catholic Ethics in a Pluralistic Culture".	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 2. <i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007, page 20
2007	On 20.11.2007, a public lecture by Fr. Joe Caddy and Prof. Tony Vinson was presented in the Mater Conference Centre. "Dropping off the Edge: The Distribution of Disadvantage in Australia".	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 2 & 4.
2007	St. Patrick's College Year 9 and 10 science skills' students, researched material for a booklet on bush tucker titled "Nature's Menu. The project was the brainchild of their science teacher, Mr. Tim McCluskey. A grant of \$2,500 from BP enabled the booklet to be published.	<i>Sun Community Newspapers</i> , 12.12.2007, page 5
2007	List of outstanding contributors to school communities recognised at the annual Townsville diocesan P and F Mark Mappas Awards.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.12.2007, page 21
2007	Steven Coleman, a teacher and expedition instructor at Ignatius Park College, who ran camps and outdoor adventures for students, was recognised along with another Ignatius Park teacher, John Nuss, in the Duke of Edinburgh's Awards for work outside school.	<i>Sun Community Newspapers</i> , 12.12.2007 Page 14
2007	During December, Bishop Putney travelled to Rome for a drafting meeting of a small sub-group of the International Methodist – Catholic Dialogue.	
2007	During their Christmas holidays, boys from Abergowrie College who planned to attend "World Youth Day" in Sydney during July 2008, were tasked with making 500 palm frond crosses each, for sale across the diocese to help pay their way to the event.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, page 4.
2007	"Stable on the Strand" was held from 19 to 23 December. Guest entertainers this year included jazz musician James Morrison, country and children's entertainer Colin Buchanan and Adrian Ross playing the didgeridoo.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.11.2007, page 7.
2007	During 2007, at St. Francis' School in Ayr, the Mulholland and Bucas Wings were renovated. Data projectors and interactive whiteboards were also installed in Classrooms and a fitness trail was constructed on the main playing field.	<i>The Greatest Gift Celebrating 100 Years</i> Page 9
2007	<u>Ignatius Park College – 2007</u> The Athletic Career Education Program was introduced to assist its members in striking a balance between sport and academic studies.	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College</i> 1969 – 2009,

	The College's new Administration block was completed. The Edmund Rice room was moved to the site of the old office. Two new classrooms, 102 and 103, were refurbished.	Page 85.
2008	Fr. Abraham Cheripuram was appointed administrator of Winton Parish. He began his new appointment on 04.01.2008.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 21.02.2008, page 8.
2008	Principal of St. Teresa's Catholic Secondary College, Abergowrie, John Crowley with new student leaders for 2008. (Photo)	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> , 24.02.2008, page 16
2008	Former Brisbane educator Mike Ashton was appointed as the new principal at Columba College, Charters Towers. Mike's background in education included experience as principal at Chisholm Catholic College and Mt. Maria Senior College in Brisbane Archdiocese.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> , 24.02.2008 Page 16.
2008	The Loreto Nursing Home in North Ward received more than \$135,000 in funding for three new beds in residential high care places from the Federal Government. The beds were to be installed in the new Loreto Nursing Home aged care facility which was expected to be completed by late 2008 or early 2009.	<i>Townsville Sun</i> , Wednesday 23.01.2008, Page 27.
2008	Mrs Robyn McCarthy from Townsville succeeded Sr. Moya Campbell as full-time co-ordinator of Mary MacKillop House in Richmond for one year.	<i>T.B.-Catholic News Supp.</i> 21.02.2008, page 6 17.09.2009, page 11
2008	Good Samaritan Sister Dawn Gibson celebrated 50 years of religious service. Sr. Dawn left her family's sugar cane property near Innisfail in 1955. She was now serving as a pastoral worker visiting the elderly, sick and bereaved in Holy Spirit Parish, Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, page 8.
2008	<u>New Staff Members at the Townsville Catholic Education Office</u> Jean Tait – Acting Religious Education Officer Paul Ould – Curriculum Officer Justin McIntosh – Curriculum Officer Bronwyn Coe – Administration Assistant – ICT Tom Eldridge – Facilities, Planning and Development Administrator Alison Lyons – Payroll Officer (P/T)	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Diocese of Townsville, Term 1, 2008, Page 3.
2008	<u>The Indigenous Education Team at Catholic Education Office</u> Thelma Gertz – Indigenous Education Coordinator Vanessa Blackman – Administration Assistant Ada Boland – Career & Development Project Officer De'arne French – Administration Assistant Megan Harrison – Indigenous Education Early Years Officer Shayne Harrison – Townsville Development Officer – Indigenous Sports Academy Libby Knight – Project Officer Debbie Pardon – Indigenous Education Support Officer Alice Bin Tahal – Indigenous Community Education Officer – Mount Isa	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Diocese of Townsville, Term 1, 2008, Page 3.

	Jean Clapham – Community for Children Teacher – Mount Isa Christine Storey – Community for Children Liaison Officer – Mount Isa	
2008	29 th Jan. to 4 th Apr. – School Term 1.	2008 Diary
2008	Staff and students of St. Joseph's Catholic School, Mundingburra welcomed Ben Henaway to their team for 2008. Ben was a past student and the school's Adopt-A-Cowboy.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Diocese of Townsville Term 1, 2008, page 6.
2008	Indigenous Aides, Allison Archie and Janelle Creed were enjoying their positions at Ryan Catholic College. Allison came to Ryan from Magani Malu Kes, a Torres Strait Islander community programme and Janelle previously worked on Palm Island at the Bwgcorman Centre, a kindergarten and preschool for indigenous children, followed by a year at St. Michael's Catholic School.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Diocese of Townsville Term 1, 2008, Page 6.
2008	Dilly Matasia from Badu Island in the Torres Strait was the first Australian student to officially complete a Centrelink school-based apprenticeship. The 16 year old Year 12 student was a boarder at St Patrick's College, Townsville.	<i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Diocese of Townsville Term 1 2008, page 7.
2008	February 15 was an historical day for Christian Brothers Schools across Queensland as they officially united to form part of the new entity, Edmund Rice Education Australia (EREA), at its northern regional launch in Brisbane. The EREA, which had been in planning for more than six years, would govern 38 member schools around Australia.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 02.03.2008 Page 5
2008	Fr. Dominic Manakil was appointed administrator of the Hughenden parish with pastoral responsibility for the Richmond parish as well. He took up his appointment in the first week of February. (2/2008 to 11/2008) In preparation for Fr. Dominic's new appointment, the diocese arranged with the Richmond parish for new accommodation for the priest in the rear of St. Brigid's Church.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008 Page 8.
2008	Fr. Bill Brady MSC was appointed parish priest of Bowen effective from this month. Fr. Brady had been administrator of the Hughenden, Richmond and Winton parishes for the past three years. (The Missionaries of the Sacred Heart recalled Fr. Bill at the beginning of 2010).	<i>T'ville Bull.-Catholic News Supp.</i> , 21.08.2008, page 8 Clergy News 02.11 2009
2008	Middle School science teacher Amanda Speare designed a program which allowed primary school students to conduct experiments and investigate science. The program was trialled at Ryan during 2007 and in 2008 was to be rolled out across another five schools.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, page 6.
2008	The Collinsville convent was removed from the grounds of St. John Bosco's School. (A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Qld. in the sesquicentenary year, 2009).	"On History's Page", (DVD).
2008	Ms Kimberly Davis, a former assistant principal for religious education at Ryan Catholic College and primary teacher at Holy Spirit School and now Director of the Australian Catholic Bishop's Conference – Office for the Participation of Women, returned from Rome where she had attended an international congress to celebrate the 20 th anniversary of Pope John Paul II's Apostolic Letter on the dignity and vocation of women.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, Page 6.
2008	Townsville Catholic Education Office and the Diocesan Parents and Friends Federation launched an initiative to promote water awareness within schools. Students in every Catholic school in the diocese were given water timers as a way to communicate the importance of being water wise.	<i>T'ville Bull-Catholic News Supp.</i> 21.02.2008, page 2. <i>Our Catholic Schools</i> , Term 1, 2008, page 2.

2008	Good Shepherd parishioners created a living advent wreath at the Ryan Community Centre. They planted a climbing plant which was fed over an upright steel mesh to a height of about six feet (1.83 metres). (Decorated with flowers candles and signs for Joy, Peace, Love and Hope, it was used in 2009 and was still being used during advent 2010).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 16.12.2010 Page 4
2008	On Monday 03.03.2008, Jezzine Barracks and Kissing Point were formally handed over to the City of Townsville by the Department of Defence.	<i>Sun Community News.</i> 05.03.2008, page 4
2008	On Saturday 15.03.2008, (Local Elections Day), Thuringowa City, which was established on 01.01.1986, ceased to exist when it was amalgamated with the city of Townsville.	<i>Sun Community News.</i> 05.03.2008, pages 1 to 10
2008	Easter Saturday 22.03.2008, fell on the earliest possible date of the calendar year for the first time in 190 years. Easter can occur on any one of 35 days. The earliest date possible is March 22 and the latest date possible is April 25.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, page 5.
2008	Death of Fr. Tindaro (Tam) Ferlazzo on 26.03.2008 at 81 years of age. Ordained in 1953, Fr. Tam served as an assistant priest at the cathedral and in Ingham until 1960. He was then appointed as Director of St. Teresa's Agricultural College at Abergowrie where he remained for 16 years. In 1977, Fr. Tam was appointed as parish priest of Sacred Heart Parish in Ayr. In 1985, he was appointed parish priest in the Ingham district where he served until 2007 when he retired at 80 years of age.	<i>T'ville Bull. -Cath. News Supplements</i> 17.05.2007, page 5. 15.05.2008, page 2 & 7. 26.09.2013, page 12.
2008	Sr. Marie Melville, congregational leader of the Sisters of Mercy, Townsville, and Mater Misericordiae Hospitals Townsville Chairman Bob Jones announced a name and focus change this week. An organisation known as Mater Health Services North Queensland Limited was born by combining Mater Hospital Pimlico, Mater Women's and Children's Hospital Hyde Park and Mater Outreach Services. The outreach services also included cardiac rehabilitation, a post traumatic stress disorder unit (PTSD) and other outpatient services. Mater Health Service North Queensland chief executive John Amery said the name change was due to the hospital branching out to more than one campus.	<i>Townsville Bulletin,</i> 12.04.2008, Page 10. <i>Townsville Bulletin,</i> 07.07.2008, Page 7.
2008	A series of colourful postcards painted by Townsville artist, Jan Hynes, were commissioned by the Diocesan Family Life Council. The cards depicted different families and relationships between people in locations around Townsville.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.05.2008, page 2.
2008	15 th Apr. to 27 th Jun. – School Term 2.	<i>2008 Diary</i>
2008	On 22.04.2008, the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, Hon. Mike Reynolds MP, and local Member Mr. Andrew Cripps, conducted a Queensland Youth Parliament at Abergowrie College. Students from the two secondary colleges in Ingham were invited to participate.	<i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Diocese of Townsville Term 1 2008, page 5
2008	Sister Anita Ready celebrated her Golden Jubilee. Originally from Brisbane, Sr. Anita entered the convent at St. Patrick's in Townsville where she was professed as Sr. M. Luke in 1958. Now retired, Sr. Anita had served as a teacher throughout North West Queensland, including stints in Winton and Ingham, before becoming a high school teacher at St. Patrick's on the Strand.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.05.2008, page 8. Photo included.
2008	More than 30 Vinnies shop and charity volunteers attended a course in caring for customers and those in need. The workshop was presented by Airlie Beach Vinnies shop co-ordinator Helene Telford who had 30 years experience in the St Vincent de Paul Society. The workshop was part of a diocesan "Country Centres Get-together" and also included an update on Workplace Health and Safety.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.05.2008, Page 8.

2008	On the eve of Pentecost Sunday, 11.05.2008, Bishop Bill Ray (Anglican), Rev. Bruce Cornish (Uniting Church) and Bishop Michael Putney invited everyone to join them in an evening of prayer to mark the centenary of Christians praying together.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.02.2008, page 2.
2008	In early May, the state Parents and Friends Federation Conference was held in Townsville.	<i>Our Catholic Schools,</i> Term 1, 2008, page 2.
2008	On 28.06.2008, a special Mass was celebrated in the Sacred Heart Cathedral at which married couples could celebrate their wedding anniversaries with family and friends and renew their vows. This was the first of what was to become an annual event at the cathedral.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 15.05.2008, page 4.
2008	On Saturday 05.07.2008, the Mater Hospital's new \$3,000,000 Mater Women's and Children's Hospital Hyde Park was blessed by Bishop Michael Putney and officially opened. (Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement, 21.08.2008, page 3)	<i>Townsville Bulletin,</i> 12.04.2008, page 10. 07.07.2008, page 7.
2008	World Youth Day (WYD) celebrations in Sydney ran from 15 th to 20 th July. About 400 young pilgrims from the Townsville Diocese together with another 400 international pilgrims travelled to Sydney from Townsville. (Townsville Bulletin-Cath. News Supp. 16 Aug. & 15 Nov. 2007, 15.05.2008, page 1,5 & 6, 21.08.2008, page 2 & 5)	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 24.02.1008 Page16
2008	15 th Jul. to 19 th Sep. – School Term 3.	<i>2008 Diary</i>
2008	On 17.07.2008, Pope Benedict XVI visited Mary MacKillop's Tomb in the Shrine at Mount Street, North Sydney. The Pope told the Sisters of St. Joseph that Mary would be canonised as soon as a second miracle was proved.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 5.
2008	On Tuesday 29.07.2008, a Jubilee Mass was celebrated to mark the Jubilees of Fr. Ben Lewis (Golden) and Fr. Bill Busuttin (Silver) followed by a special Jubilee Dinner at St. Paul's College, James Cook University.	Invitation from Fr. Dave Lancini dated 18.07.2008
2008	79 year old, former Palm Island woman, Mrs. Mary (auntie) Twaddle was named Elder of the Year for the Townsville diocese. Mary was on the Palm Island council for 13 years in the 60s and 70s and now tended to the Garbutt church where she was the chairperson. She also visited Townsville's parks where she chatted with people in need of some love and hope.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.08.2008, Page 4.
2008	To help busy families remember to gather together at mealtimes and say a quick prayer of thanks before they eat, the <u>Family.Life.Council</u> printed 5000 bright orange cubes with an easy to read prayer on each of the six sides. The cubes create a little bit of fun when they are rolled like a dice to see which prayer comes up.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.08.2008, page 7. 17.09.2009, page 7
2008	Melbourne born secondary teacher Mercy Sister Cathy Solano, visited Townsville school students to tell them of a school which she had helped to build in the remote Sudanese town of El Obeid and to ask for donations.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.08.2008, page 8.
2008	Fr. Rod Ward was appointed as the new vocations director for the Diocese of Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull.-Catholic News Supp.,</i> 21.08.2008, p. 6
2008	From 30 th July to 1 st August, archivists from around Australia met in Townsville for the sixth annual conference of Australian Catholic Archivists.	<i>T'ville Bulletin-Catholic News Supp.,</i> 21.08.2008, page 4
2008	After 45 years commitment and dedication to Catholic Education, Abergowrie Deputy Principal Mick	<i>Townsville Bulletin-</i>

	Grainger, was one of six people in Queensland to receive the Spirit of Education Award during August at Parliament House in Brisbane.	<i>Catholic News Supplement</i> 21.08.2008, page 7.
2008	From 1 st to 14 th September, Fr. John Rea (from NZ) visited Townsville conducting healing masses, parish missions and school visits.	<i>T'ville Bulletin-Catholic News Supp.</i> , 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	On Thursday 11.09.2008, eleven parish priests and delegates from western parishes of the Townsville Diocese gathered with Bishop Putney, members of the Bishop's Advisory Council and other diocesan agencies and religious orders to begin the first diocesan Western Summit. The purpose of the summit was to identify and explore ways to address the pastoral and ministry needs of the parishes in Mount Isa, Cloncurry, Winton, Julia Creek, Richmond, Hughenden and Charters Towers.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Page 7.
2008	On Sunday 14.09.2008, St Teresa's College at Abergowrie celebrated 75 years. Bishop Michael Putney celebrated mass and blessed new and refurbished facilities at the college – five new residences for students and accommodation for residential staff, Year 8 classrooms, Art, Music and Drama rooms	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, page 4.
2008	From 15 th to 18 th September, the CWL-Qld State Conference was held in Townsville.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	20 th Sep. to 5 th Oct. – School holidays.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	From 22 nd to 26 th September, Bishop Putney and priests participated in a retreat at Genazzano. A retreat for remaining priests was held from 29 th September to 3 rd October.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	From 23 rd to 26 th September, Edmund Rice Camps were held on Magnetic Island.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	29 th September – End of Ramadan.	<i>T'ville Bull. – Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, page 2
2008	From 5 th to 26 th October, Bishop Putney attended the Synod of Bishops General Assembly in the Vatican.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, p2
2008	6 th Oct. to 12 th Dec. – School Term 4.	<i>2008 Diary</i>
2008	On Sunday 12.10.2008, a new \$400,000 purpose built Agricultural and Veterinary Science Centre was opened at Columba Catholic College in Charters Towers. The new classroom had 11 computers, an interactive white board, kitchenette, shower and toilet. Agriculture Science head of department Dan Kyle said students could do the theory in the classroom and then go outside and see it first hand.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Page 6.
2008	On 18.10.2008, the community of Mary MacKillop House in Richmond held a Jazz Fest to raise funds for the training of a local resident to become the music teacher at the Richmond State School where no music had been taught for more than 20 years. Western Centre for Spirituality co-ordinator Sr. Carmel Street said the school had 110 students from Prep to Year 10 but no music program was offered. Richmond State School principal Kaye O'Sullivan said she was right behind any program which brought music to the small western Queensland town.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, page 6. 17.09.2009, page 11.
2008	Pope Benedict XVI declared a year of St. Paul in 2008/09 to mark the 2000 th anniversary of St. Paul's Birth. To honour this special time, the Townsville Diocese arranged a Diocesan Pilgrimage – In the Footsteps of	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i>

	St. Paul – throughout Greece, Turkey and Rome. The Pilgrimage from 15 th Oct. to 1 st Nov. was led by Fr. Alan Sheldrick, Parish Priest of Ayr.	15.05.2008, Pages 7 & 8.
2008	Bishop Putney attended a meeting of the Synod of Bishops in Rome at which he delivered an opening speech on the cultures of Oceania, which included Australia, New Zealand, PNG and countries of the Pacific. It lasted three weeks and involved 250 bishops and experts along with Pope Benedict XVI.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Pages 2 & 5.
2008	From 31 st October to 7 th November, Bishop Putney attended a Methodist – Catholic Dialogue in Dublin.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 21.08.2008, p2
2008	List of 2008 NIE Award Winners (Newspapers in Education awards)	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> Tues. 09.11.2008, page 27
2008	Thirty-eight men from around the diocese gathered at the Ryan Catholic Community Centre for an inaugural Men Alive retreat experience led by four members of the Men Alive Team from Brisbane.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.11.2008, p8
2008	Ten Sisters of Mercy recently celebrated more than 500 years of service to God and the Church at a Jubilee Mass celebrated in St. Joseph’s Church in North Ward, Townsville. The Golden Jubilarians were: Sr. Mary Philomena Lowth, Sr. Marie Therese Langan, Sr. Mary Regina O’Riordan, Sr. Ellen Horgan, Sr. Josephine Martyn, Sr. Paul Mary Hindom, Sr. Mary Juliana Cummins Sr. Nina Barra. Sr. Zita Doolan celebrated 60 years of religious profession while Sr. Mary Pius Carroll achieved the remarkable milestone of 70 years as a Sister of Mercy.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008 Page 2.
2008	During November, Catholic Earthcare director Jacqui Remond visited the diocese on a whirlwind tour of Australia. Ms. Remond urged people to make a change of mind and heart in a bid to be more environmentally sustainable. She stated that Holy Spirit Primary School was leading the way along with other schools around Australia.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Page 4.
2008	On 23.11.2008, Fr. Alan Sheldrick celebrated his last mass at the Sacred Heart Church in Ayr before retiring. Fr. Alan had been 45 years on the job, the last 8 of which as “Priest in Residence” in Ayr. He was replaced by an Indian priest, Fr. Dominic Manakil from Hughenden, as “Parish Priest” of Ayr.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, page 4.
2008	On 25 th November, Olympic Champion Cathy Freeman visited St. Michael’s School on Palm Island to hand out encouragement awards and watch their end of year concert.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> 26.11.2008
2008	On 30.11.2008, Bishop Michael Putney and Parish Priest Fr. Don Smith con-celebrated a Mass to mark the 50 th Anniversary of the opening of St. Colman’s Church in Home Hill. The building had been restored for the anniversary. Fr. Smith stated that the church was opened on 14.12.1958 and was named after one of 300 Irish saints named Colman.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008 Page 7
2008	At the end of the school year, Mr. Laurence Hosking resigned as Principal of Our Lady of Lourdes School in Ingham. He was succeeded by Mr. Timothy Ham.	<i>Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School</i> <i>100 Years 1915 – 2015</i>
2008	List of Secondary School Academic Achievers for 2008.	<i>Townsville Bulletin</i> Tues. 09.12.2008, page 17

2008	Death of Sr. Elizabeth McGinness S.G.S., known to many in Townsville as Mother James. Sister died in Sydney on 15.12.2008. Mother James was the principal of St. Margaret Mary's Primary School and the Superior of the Convent in the years leading up to the foundation of St. Margaret Mary's College. She was a Sister of the Good Samaritan for 68 years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.03.2009. Photo included.
2008	Mater Health Services pastoral care co-ordinator Trudy Clarke formed a team of up to 50 volunteers from the staff to join the 1000 volunteers to man food and drink stalls and events at this year's Stable on the Strand extravaganza. Also each year, the St. Vincent de Paul Society allocated each of the hospital's 26 departments a family from the Townsville diocese for whom they gathered festive foods and presents.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Page 5.
2008	There were mixed emotions at the Mary MacKillop Mundingburra Kindy when the first graduates left at the end of the year ready for Prep next year. The kindergarten was the first of its kind for the Catholic Church in North Queensland. Development officer Judy Swift, who had also been involved with the kindy since it opened in August 2004, said the young graduates would soon turn five and many had started out in the Sunbird baby room and move up through the five rooms from toddler to the family room.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, Page 5.
2008	Townsville's combined churches celebrated the 10 th annual "Stable on the Strand" from 19 th to 23 rd December. The guest artist this year was Colin Buchanan.	<i>T'ville Bulletin-Catholic News Sup.,</i> 20.11.2008, page 1
2008	During 2008, a new Tuckshop was constructed at St. Francis' School in Ayr.	<i>The Greatest Gift Celebrating 100 Yrs p. 9</i>
2008	During 2008, the Combined Catholic Colleges of St. Raphael and St. Paul at James Cook University were renamed to become The Catholic College of St Raphael and St. Paul.	<i>History of Saints Catholic College</i>
2009	Year of Astronomy	
2009	Townsville Diocese's 31 schools dropped tuition fees by 70% for the first child of a family living on a health care card. The cuts came as part of an Australia wide initiative to attract children of Catholic families on low incomes back to Catholic schools. The fees for the second and third child also dropped significantly.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 20.11.2008, page 1.
2009	Lay school chaplains were added to the staff of four Catholic schools in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 20.09.2012
2009	On Sunday 11.01.2009, The Filipino festival of "Santo Nino" was celebrated in the Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish. Fr. Amado Canaveral and Fr. Cipriano Mallari concelebrated the Mass and traditional hymns from the Visayas region of the Philippines were sung.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.03.2009.
2009	27 th Jan. to 9 th Apr. - School Term 1.	<i>2009 Diary</i>
2009	The 60 th Anniversary of secondary education in Ingham. (A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Queensland in the sesquicentenary year, 2009).	"On History's Page", (DVD)
2009	Fr. Abraham Cheripuram's appointment as parish priest of Winton (2008) was altered to include Hughenden and Richmond.	Information supplied by Sr. Paul Mary.
2009	On Tuesday 03.02.2009, after a drenching from Cyclone Allie, Ingham and the surrounding region suffered its worst floods in thirty years. Thanks to a new \$80,000 diesel powered generator purchased by the Canossa Home Refurbishment and	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplements</i>

	Redevelopment Committee, the Canossa Home at Trebonne was able to continue functioning despite the loss of mains power.	19.03.2009 & 17.12.2009. Photos included.
2009	Prime Minister Kevin Rudd visited Mary MacKillop's Tomb in the Shrine at Mount Street, North Sydney on 22.02.2009.	Josephite 2009 Calendar
2009	Centacare marked its 30 th anniversary with a new two metre wide mural painted in the Townsville Office Reception area. The mural was painted by family support worker and indigenous artist Mandy Brown. A new building is also due to open in Mt. Isa.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.03.2009. Photo incl.
2009	Ozcare staff received loyalty recognition when CEO Brian Lenz and other members of Ozcare senior management visited Townsville to congratulate staff who had worked for Ozcare for more than 15 years. A special afternoon tea was held at the Mercure Inn.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.03.2009.
2009	The Young Christian Student (YCS) movement returned to Townsville. The National co-ordinator of the Australian YCS, Vicki Burrows, was based in the diocese in March and was to remain until Christmas. High school students were starting to go NUTS (Never Underestimate the Students).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009. Page 10, photo included.
2009	Mrs. Christine Douglas from Yeppoon was appointed as the full-time co-ordinator and manager (on a three year contract) for Mary MacKillop House – a Centre for Western Spirituality in Richmond. When it was discovered that Mrs. Douglas could play the piano, she soon became the town music teacher. Richmond's second Jazz Festival was scheduled for 31.10.2009.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supps.</i> 19.03.2009 17.09.2009, page 11.
2009	Easter Sunday 12.04.2009.	<i>2009 Diary</i>
2009	Stage four of Ozcare's six stage upgrade at Villa Vincent was on track to be completed in April. The project was expected to be completed by June 2010. (Blessed and opened on 19.02.2010).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 19.03.2009 & 17.09.2009. <i>Sun Comm. News</i> 14.9.11
2009	Staff at both of Townsville's Mater Hospitals and Mater Health Services NQ donated a day's pay and raised \$36,000 to aid bushfire affected families in fire devastated Victoria.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 19.03.2009
2009	20 th Apr. to 26 th Jun. – School Term 2.	<i>2009 Diary</i>
2009	Fr. Thomas Nelliary arrived from Adilabad, India during April 2009 to work in the Diocese of Townsville. In September, 2009, he was appointed to serve in the parishes of Cloncurry and Julia Creek.	Info from Bishop's Secretary Mrs. Joan Kennedy.
2009	Former Bishop of Townsville (1984 to 2000), Raymond Benjamin, now retired, returned to Townsville in May to celebrate his 25 year Jubilee as a bishop. (Photo included).	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.06.2009
2009	Over the Queen's Birthday weekend, Gilroy Santa Maria College celebrated its 60 th Jubilee with the blessing and re-dedication of the refurbished college foundation building and chapel which had lain derelict for the past ten years. The foundation building was actually the old American Hospital which was transported from Townsville in 1949 and turned into a chapel, classrooms and accommodation for the Christian Brothers who ran the college at that time. Local builder Sam Cosentino took on the refurbishment project.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> Thur. 18.06.2009, page 11. <i>Herbert River Express,</i> Saturday 23.05.2009 Page 4
2009	Ingham opened its first Catholic Childcare Centre.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-</i>

	A refurbishment of the old Ingham State Preschool began in February. The doors of Mary MacKillop Childcare in Hopkins Street, Ingham, across from Our Lady of Lourdes School, were opened on Wednesday 10.06.2009 and became the third to open in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Catholic News Supps.</i> 19.03.2009 & 18.06.2009.
2009	Indigenous Australian singer Jessica Mauboy visited Townsville schools as part of Mabo Day celebrations. She performed at Ryan Catholic College in front of 1000 secondary students from local and regional Catholic schools and at the Marian School.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009
2009	Townsville's first ever National Stewardship Institute was held from 19 th to 20 th June at the Leisure Inn Plaza Hotel. Delegates came from across Australia to attend the two day event.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.06.2009
2009	A life-sized white stone statue of Blessed Mary MacKillop and a small child was being sculpted to celebrate the centenary of her death. It was to hold pride of place at St. Joseph's School in Mundingburra when it was completed. (The sculpture was installed in mid February 2011)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009 & 14.04.2011
2009	St. Paul's and St. Raphael's Residential College at James Cook University will be the largest residential college of its kind at the Townsville campus when a multi-million dollar upgrade is completed next year. College principal Tom Tartelin and assistant principal Mary Rowan expect the opening date to be 11.01.2010.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009
2009	St. Margaret Mary's College in Hyde Park, Townsville was undergoing a non-government funded \$1.8 million facelift with extensions to its library at the front of the school, improvements to lunchrooms and classrooms and extensions to covered walkways. The biggest part of the project is the \$1.2 million covered sports and assembly area which includes showers and toilets. The work was due for completion by the end of July.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009. Photo included.
2009	\$8 million worth of tenders were soon to be called for the redevelopment of three schools which would be the first Catholic schools to benefit from a Federal funding package specifically for primary schools. St. Anthony's at Deeragun was to get an improved library and multi-purpose sporting facility; St. Joseph's on the Strand was to have a new multi-purpose sports facility and St. Keiran's at Mt. Isa was to get a new library and covered area. \$3 million in capital improvements currently being undertaken at St. Joseph's on the Strand were due for completion by mid July.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009
2009	Construction of a new parish centre at Mary Help of Christians on the Strand was almost complete.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009
2009	Ignatius Park College presented Joseph and the Amazing Technicolour Dream Coat as their production for 2009.	<i>A History of Ignatius Park College, 1969 – 2009, p. 89</i>
2009	Construction of medical suites (Lister House) at Mater Women's and Children's Hospital, Hyde Park.	<i>Mater Health Services North Qld., Developments</i>
2009	On 23.06.2009, a Mass and special dinner was held at St. Paul's College campus to celebrate the Jubilees of Bishop Michael Putney (40 years a priest), Fr. Michael Taylor of Ingham (20 years) and Fr. Abraham Cheripuram of Hughenden (25 years).	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supplement</i> , 18.06.2009 Photo included.
2009	On 25.06.2009, at their meeting in Sydney, the National Council of Churches in Australia, which had a membership of 17 churches, unanimously elected Bishop Michael Putney as their 6 th President. His term would last until July 2010. Bishop Putney is also chairperson of the Bishops Commission for Ecumenical	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009,

	and Inter-religious Relations, and is chairman of the International Methodist / Catholic Dialogue and a member of the Uniting Church – Roman Catholic Dialogue in the Archdiocese of Brisbane. He is also a member of the permanent committee of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, a member of the Pontifical Council for promoting Christian Unity, Patron of the Townsville Catholic Education Arts Festival and Patron of the World Community for Christian Meditation.	Page 3
2009	On 30.06.2009, “ <i>The Year of St. Paul</i> ” E-conference was beamed into Townsville. The Townsville conference organiser, Sr. Helen Mary Peters, said the E-conference was the first initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops’ Conference to engage with new technology in the delivery of adult education across the country.	<i>Townsville Bulletin Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009
2009	NAIDOC Week ran from 5 th to 12 th July. This year the theme was “ <i>Honouring Our Elders, Nurturing Our Youth</i> ”. (Photo included).	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.06.2009.
2009	The appointments were announced of Indigenous Catholic Council Project Manager Joni McCourt and Indigenous Catholic Council Youth Development Officer Cameron (Kyle) Harris.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 18.06.2009.
2009	13 th Jul. to 18 th Sep. – School Term 3.	<i>2009 Diary</i>
2009	From 13 th to 15 th July, a gathering of teachers, principals and Catholic Church representatives attended a conference at the Townsville Entertainment Centre. The conference entitled “Light for the Journey” focused on the Religious Orders that founded many Catholic schools in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 19.03.2009.
2009	To mark its 40 th anniversary, Holy Spirit School in Cranbrook, Townsville held a week of celebrations including a Reunion Mass at Holy Spirit Church on Saturday 8 th August and their ‘Dinky Di’ Aussie Musical “Billabong Prank” at the Civic Theatre on 10 th and 11 th August.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements</i> 12.11.2008 & 18.06.2009
2009	On 22 nd and 23 rd August, for the first time, a retreat in their own language was preached for Townsville’s Latin American Spanish speaking community. It was held in the House of Prayer by Fr. Hector Zuniga, the Hispanic chaplain from Brisbane and a team of preachers-evangelists.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 3
2009	Death of Bernadette Johnson in the Townsville Hospital on 27.08. 2009, aged 54 years. Bernadette worked as an adult mental health worker on Palm Island and as chairperson of the Aboriginal and Islander Catholic Council for many years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 12
2009	Townsville welcomed two new priests as part of an open-borders program. They were Fr. Daniel Djodjowu Mawuko (44) and Fr. Peter Akosah-Twumasi (40) from the diocese of Konongo – Mampong in Ghana. They were to serve in the Townsville Diocese over the next three years. (Fr. Damian McGrath also arrived from Ghana in September).	<i>Tville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.09.2009, page 12 <i>Townsville Clergy News</i> 19.10.2009, Ref. 715/4
2009	Following the success of their orange prayer cubes last year, the <u>Family.Life.Council</u> printed doorknob prayer hangers on which are printed favourite prayers for children to say at bedtime.	<i>Tville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.09.2009, page 7
2009	Bishop Michael Putney, North Queensland Anglican Bishop Bill Ray and the head of North Queensland’s Uniting Church Australia met regularly every couple of months to discuss important issues of the day, usually over a hot breakfast and coffee at the Heart Rock Café at the Mater Hospital.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 9. 20.09.2012, page 2.
2009	Traditional custodians of the Bindal and Wulgurukaba together with Bishop Putney launched the Indigenous Heritage Project for Catholic Schools.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Catholic News Supplement</i>

	Welcome signs and message boards were installed in all Catholic Schools across the diocese, with the permission of the traditional custodians of these areas and in line with their recommendations.	17.09.2009, page 9. Photo included.
2009	On Monday 07.09.2009, Bishop Michael Putney and Bishop Anthony Fisher, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, celebrated Mass on Palm Island to mark the 75 th anniversary of the convent	Email from Joan Kennedy 10.08.2009
2009	During September, Bishop Anthony Fisher, Auxiliary Bishop of Sydney, visited Townsville. Bishop Fisher, who had a doctorate in bioethics, told a packed Townsville conference room, adult stem cell research was leading the way in health science research and was acceptable research.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 3.
2009	During September, Sr. Lyn Freestone came from Cloncurry to Richmond to teach guitar to school students.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.09.2009 p11
2009	From 14 to 16 September 2009, thirty-one participants representing the Anglican, Catholic, Lutheran and Uniting Churches from across Queensland deliberated on the outcomes of the 1996 document “ <i>Being Church in Rural Queensland</i> ” and elected to produce a new document, “ <i>Living Church in Rural Queensland</i> ”. (See Oct. 2009).	<i>Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish Bulletin</i> 25 th /26 th Sept. 2010.
2009	To mark the 100 th anniversary of the death of Mary MacKillop, the Sisters of St. Joseph prepared a pilgrimage to Western Queensland from 13.09.2009 to 17.09.2009. The pilgrimage commenced with an opening mass in Mount Isa and then visited the towns of Richmond, Julia Creek and Cloncurry.	<i>Townsville Bulletin- Cath. News Supplements,</i> 17.09.2009, page 11. 17.12.2009.
2009	On 15.09.2009, more than 100 married couples and church representatives attended a combined churches marriage celebration dinner in Townsville at George Coates restaurant.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 10.
2009	The St. Vincent de Paul heritage listed building in Echlin Street, West End, Townsville, was given a major facelift. The completion of the internal refurbishment was to be marked with a re-opening sale on 23.09.2009.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 11
2009	A modern nursing home on the site of the old Mercy Novitiate on Fulham Road, opposite the Mater Hospital was due to be opened in October. The Loretto Aged Care Home, which cares for retired elderly Sisters of Mercy and others, will close its doors on The Strand and move to Fulham Road. The architect for the project was Mr. Terry O’Toole of Troppo Architects and the builder was Mr. Ian Newman of Tactical DCM.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009. Page 5. Photo included.
2009	The Whitsunday Parish developed the “Fr. Tom Gard Memorial Garden” in the old “rainforest” next to the Parish House. They also set up the “When I was a Stranger” Group to welcome people (not only Catholic) from other cultures. A monthly meal was shared in the Parish Hall with the migrant families.	<i>Townsville Clergy News</i> 19.10.2009 <i>Archives Ref. 715/4</i>
2009	From 2 nd to 4 th October, Public Seminars were conducted by New Zealand Bishop Colin Campbell on finding peace, joy, humility, self control and kindness.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 12.
2009	5 th Oct. to 11 th Dec. – School Term 4.	<i>2009 Diary</i>
2009	From October 8 to 11, Mary MacKillop historians Sr. Margaret McKenna and Sr. Monica Cavanagh held public lectures in Townsville and Bowen on the history of Mary MacKillop and the work of the Sisters of St. Joseph in the Townsville Diocese.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.09.2009, page 7. Photo

		included.
2009	On the weekend of October 10, the 45 th anniversary of St. Raphael's College and the 40 th anniversary of St. Paul's College were marked with celebrations including a reunion dinner, a morning tea, a tour of the colleges and a Mass on the College grounds.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> , 17.09.2009, page 8.
2009	NQ Cowboys prop, Antonio Kaufusi from Tonga, became Ryan Catholic College's very own Adopt-a-Cowboy. (Photo in TB – CNS 17.12.2009).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009.
2009	Land was purchased in Proserpine for construction of a second campus for middle and high school students, leaving the existing campus at St. Catherine's School for the early years. (On Sunday 29.05.2011, Bishop Putney turned the sod and blessed the new campus of St. Catherine's School – <i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> , 14.04.2011).	" <i>On History's Page</i> ", (DVD), A snapshot of Catholic Schools in Qld. In 2009
2009	Fr. Ben Lewis, 86, retired after spending the last 25 years in Collinsville. After ordination in 1958, he served at the Sacred Heart Cathedral from 1958 to 1960. He also served in Ingham, Bowen, Mt. Isa, Winton, Richmond and Cloncurry. (He was replaced in Collinsville by Fr. Cipriano Mallari).	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009.
2009	Bishop Michael Putney led a group to France to participate in the International Eucharistic Congress.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 29.03.2012
2009	Maryann Devine of Mt. Isa was recently honoured with two awards; the Queensland Regional Achievement Community Services award and State minister Tim Mulherin's Special Commendation award for her selfless work in the indigenous community, namely Yalambee.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009. Photo included.
2009	Bishop Michael Putney established the Townsville Clergy Foundation to give retired and sick Catholic Priests security and support after they retired from parish ministry.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 16.09.2010.
2009	During the week commencing 19.10.2009, Ingham parishioners erected a belltower and bell outside St. Patrick's Church.	Townsville Clergy News 19.10.2009, Ref. 715/4
2009	At 9.30am on 22.10.2009, the Tokelau Island National flag was raised for the first time around the world wherever there was a Tokelaun community. In Townsville, the flag raising ceremony was held in the Blessed Mary MacKillop Parish grounds at the entrance to the Townsville Multicultural Society Group office building in Mundingburra.	Parish staff, Lyn Horner, Pauline McGuire, Erin Jones and John White were guests at the flag raising ceremony.
2009	MenALIVE held a breakfast on Saturday 31.10.2009 at the Mary MacKillop Parish Centre. MenALIVE is a Catholic ministry to men which commenced in Brisbane in 2003.	Mundingburra Parish Bull. 10 th /11 th Oct. 2009.
2009	Former Wimbledon and Australian tennis champion Evonne Goolagong Cawley visited Abergowrie as a guest coach to the newly established tennis squad during November.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	Fr. Don Smith, 78, suffered a stroke and was forced to retire. He relocated from his parish house in Home Hill where he served for the past 17 years and now lived in a parish house in Riverway Drive, Kelso, awaiting a retirement unit at Villa McAuley in Mundingburra.	<i>T'ville Bull. - Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009, 24.03.2016, page 8
2009	During the 2009 Bishop's Annual Dinner, held in the Mount Isa Irish Club, the following people were presented with medallions by Bishop Putney:-	Townsville Clergy News 19.10.2009,

	<p><u>Dolly Hankin</u> – AICC Elder since 1089. Committed to ATSI people through her work and in Church ministry for 20 years.</p> <p><u>Marilyn Jacob</u> – Worked for the Church in one capacity or another for over 20 years. When she arrive in Mount Isa in 2002, there were 3 staff members and 3 programs. Now there were almost 60 staff and 18 different programs.</p> <p><u>Ben & Chris Gillic</u> – Over the years that the Gillics lived in Mount Isa, their home was always a haven for Irish people who had arrived to stay or simply pass through.</p> <p><u>Jan Montgomery</u> – Began teaching music for the Sisters in Mount Isa. For 40 years, gave generously of her talents for the younger members of the community.</p>	Archives Ref. 715/4
2009	On 01.11.2009, Sr. Maria Joyner left Giru after nearly 12 years serving the Giru and Burdekin Valley parishes as Pastoral Leader. Sr. Maria was elected to the leadership team of the Presentation Sisters and was to be based in Brisbane during her five year term.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009, page 8.
2009	On Friday 06.11.2009, Bishop Putney attended the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal Launch at Tony Ireland Stadium in Townsville.	Townsville Clergy News 02.11. 2009, Ref 715/4
2009	On Saturday 07.11.2009, Bishop Putney flew to Boston, USA, for a Methodist-Catholic Dialogue (returning to Australia for ACBC in Sydney on Monday 09.11.2009.	Townsville Clergy News 02.11. 2009, Ref 715/4
2009	Three Filipino Sisters of the Daughters of Mary, Mother of the Church, from the Philippines Archdiocese of Caceres near Naga City, arrived in Townsville on 12.11.2009. They are Sisters Carmencita Ricafrente, Nicolasa (Nicky) Purcia and Alma Gueriba Their expertise was in catechesis especially among the very young. They work in the Mary MacKillop Child Care Centres and have formed a choir made up of families at the Holy Spirit church. They also lead in other Filipino Catholic traditions such as the novena to Our Lady of Penafrancia, the Child Jesus (Sto Nino) and “Santacruzán” which is the Mayflower festival and feast of the Holy Cross. (As of December 2015, Sister Nicolasa had returned to the Philippines with Sister Catherine Villamartin).	Information from one of the sisters on 16.11.2009 <i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009 Page 7
2009	The Australian Catholic Bishops completed their final canonical vote for their approval of the texts for the new English translation of the Roman Missal. It was anticipated that the new Missal would be published in early 2011.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 20.12.2009 page 5
2009	Centacare engaged specialist consultant Jenny Creedy to help employers and schools reach zero tolerance to bullying. (Photo in TB – CNS 17.12.2009).	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	St. Anthony’s College, Deeragun, in the Northern Beaches area of Townsville, held its first Graduation Year celebration.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	Sr. Bev Hickson formerly retired from her work at St. Teresa’s Church in Garbutt to spend more time co-ordinating at the new Loretto Aged Care Home on Fulham Road.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	The last three Canossian Sisters of Charity withdrew from Trebonne, Ingham, in December 2009. They were Sisters Josie Stucchi, Irene Motta and Natalia Scacchetti. The Order had arrived in January 1951 to teach school students in a large shed. When the Canossa Home for the Aged was built, they took on additional roles of Management, Nursing, Maintenance and laundry services.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009.

2009	Townsville's combined churches expected 40,000 people to visit "Stable on the Strand" from Friday 18 th to Wednesday 23 rd December. (Photo in TB – CNS 17.12.2009).	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	Ryan Catholic College donated 100 hampers as well as more than \$2500 to the St. Vincent de Paul Christmas Appeal. (Photo in TB – CNS 17.12.2009).	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	A new \$1.1 million house (Penola Place) was to be built next to Holy Trinity Church in the Mundingburra Parish grounds as a home for five young ladies who have disabilities which need specialised care. The site was cleared and levelled for construction on 14.04.2010. Architect and project manager was Ken Tippett. (Blessed and opened on Friday 24.09.2010)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009 & 16.12.2010.
2009	The Bishop's Commission for Church Ministry appointed Mrs. Lyn Horner (Pastoral Leader of the Mundingburra Parish) to membership of the National Council of Australian Catholic Women. Her appointment was for three years.	<i>Townsville Bulletin – Cath. News Supp.</i> 17.12.2009
2009	In 2009, the Spiritual Direction Formation Program of the House of Prayer in Townsville became the first Queensland program to receive national recognition in meeting the Standards for Formation of Spiritual Directors set by the Australian Ecumenical Council for Spiritual Direction.	<i>The Catholic Leader</i> 21 September 2014 Page 22
2009	A multi-million dollar upgrade of St. Joseph's School, The Strand, commenced on 12.12.2009. Gabcon were the builders and Dillon the architects. Work was expected to be completed by mid August 2010.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 18.06.2009 & 18.03.2010.
2009	Construction of the first stage of St. Clare's Catholic College in Deeragun, Townsville, was set to begin early in 2010. Ed Giacobone from G+M Consultants was the architect for St. Clare's.	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement,</i> 21.08.2008 & 17.12.2009.
2009	During 2009, the convent in Ayr was dismantled and foundations laid for the Samaritan Centre which was to be an addition to the St. Francis School complex	<i>The Greatest Gift Celebrating 100 Years, p. 9</i>
2009	Photos of Bishop Michael Putney, Fr. Michael Taylor (Ingham and Northern District Parishes), Fr. Mick Lowcock (Good Shepherd Parish, Mt. Isa), Fr. Jose Koyical (St. Catherine Parish, Whitsunday), Fr. Mick Peters (St. Anne's Parish, Palm Island), Fr. Giles Setter (St. Anthony's Parish, Deeragun) Fr. Dominic Manakil (Sacred Heart Parish, Ayr). (Nov. 2008 to 06.04.2010)	<i>Townsville Bulletin-Catholic News Supplement</i> 17.12.2009.
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